

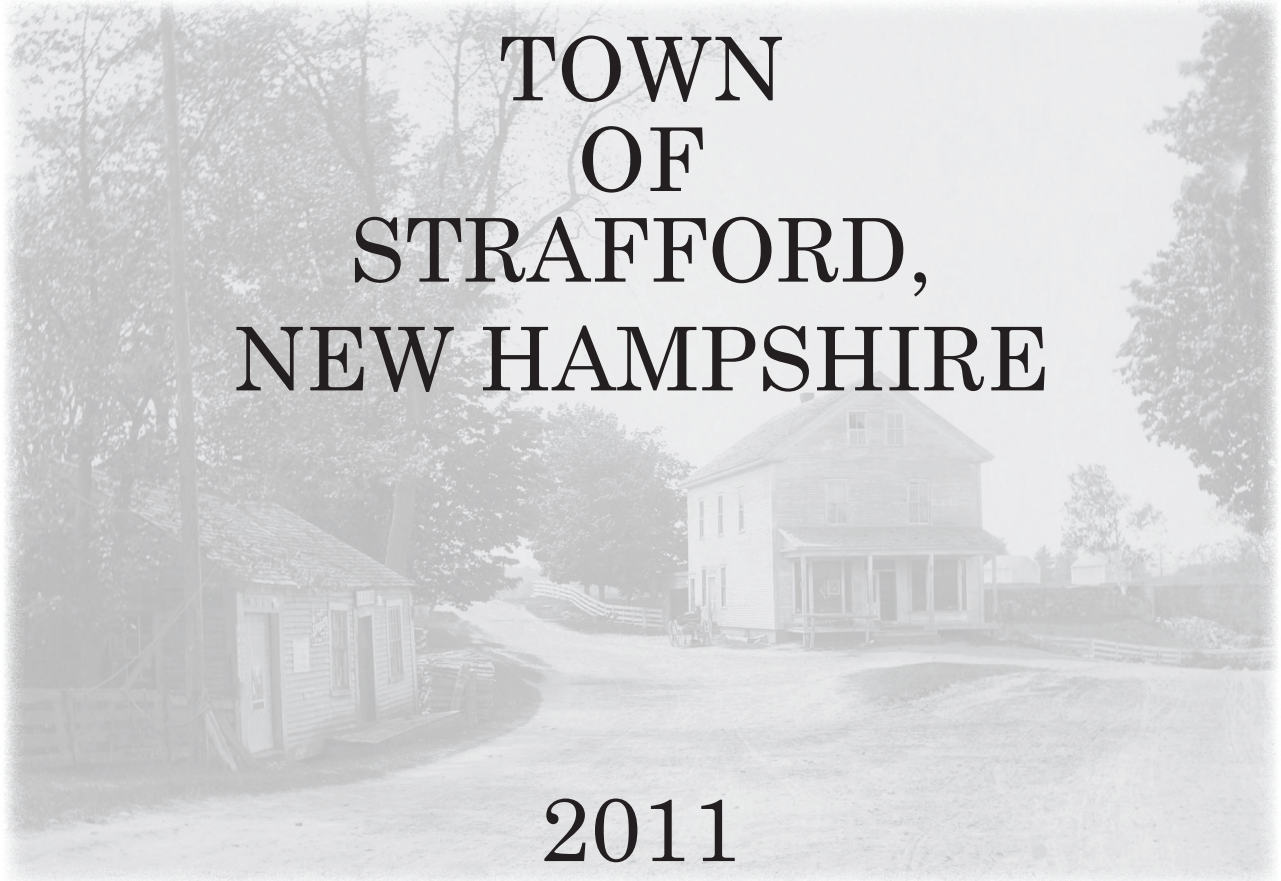
THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD NEW HAMPSHIRE



2011 ANNUAL REPORT

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ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE



2011

For The Year Ending
December 31, 2011

Population.....estimated 3991
Registered Voters.....2776

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TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

R. Stephen Leighton --Chairman 2009-2012

Lynn Sweet 2010-2013

JoAnn Brown 2011-2014

Ellen J. White—Administrator

TOWN CLERK

Diane Waldron 2010-2013

TOWN TREASURER

Laurie Bibeau 2010-2013

TAX COLLECTOR

Judith Dupré (Appointed)

MODERATOR

William G. Lord 2010-2013

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Carol Cooper 2006-2012 Marilyn Roderick 2008-2014

Martha English 2010-2016

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Kenneth A. Berry

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Indra Edmonds--Chairman 2009-2012

Carol Cooper 2010-2013 Anne O. Smith 2011-2014

Pamela Marks (Alternate)

Martha English (Alternate)

ROAD AGENT

Greg Messenger 2011-2012

BUILDING INSPECTORS

David Copeland

Andrew Carter

HEALTH OFFICER

Kevin A. LaCroix

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Charles Burnham—Chairman 2010-2013
Michelle T. Bengner 2008-2011 Betsy B. Cozine 2009-2012

PLANNING BOARD

Charles Moreno--Chairman 2011-2014
James D. Graham 2009-2012 Terrence Hyland 2010-2014
Lynn Sweet 2010-2013 Mark Witcher 2010-2013

ALTERNATES

Donald Coker
Don Rhodes

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Richard H. Ferreira II--Chairman 2009-2012
Susan Arnold 2011-2014 Herman Groth 2010-2013
Charles Burnham 2011-2014 William G. Lord 2010-2013

ALTERNATE

Jean Chartrand-Ewen

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Elizabeth Evans--Chairman 2010-2013
Harmony Anderson—Co-Chairman 2008-2014
Carolyn Page 2010-2013
Kerry Omand 2010-2013 David Perkins 2011-2014
Albert Pratt 2009-2012 Scott A. Young 2009-2012

ALTERNATES

JoAnn Brown Calvin Schroeder
Irving Johnson Bruce Smith

ROCHESTER/RURAL DISTRICT VISITING NURSE SERVICES and HOSPICE

Telephone 755-2202 or 332-1133

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR (Emergency Management)

Scott Young, Chief of Police

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Scott Young--Chief of Police
Mary Macfadzen—Secretary

John Bernard	Christopher Dustin	Michael Richard, Lt.	Bryant Scott
Nicholas Drew	Donald J. Laliberte	Eric Robertson	Randolph Young

FIRE WARDEN

Matthew Lobdell

FIRE AND RESCUE

Paul Stover—Chief of Department
Scott Whitehouse—Deputy Chief

BOW LAKE STATION

Robert Lobdell—Captain
Andy Carroll—Lieutenant

CENTER STATION

Matt Lobdell—Captain
Paul Yergeau, Sr.—Lieutenant

CROWN POINT STATION

David Hartranft—Captain

DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

James A. Anderson	Nicholas Drew	Henry Marston
James W. Anderson	Eric Gale	Erica Maxam
Ryan Ayers	Frances Goodwin	David Palmer
Eric Aucella	Doug Hayes	Glenn Pierce
Ben Bickford	Jack Lagasse	Wayne Pierce
Kim Bickford	Ashley Leighton	Craig Robichaud, Jr.
Audra Bousley	Kate Leighton	Shannon Schwab
Eugene Burrows	Nicole Lefebvre	David Sukerman
Ken Chick	Jim Lindquist	William Sukerman
Tim Comtois	Alyson Lombardo	Paul Yergeau, Jr.
Chris Dustin	Jesse Manheit	

REPORT FROM THE SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

Town and School elections will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2012. The polls will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. for voting purposes. Articles 1 through 3 will be voted on at this time. Articles 4 through 17 will be presented for consideration at 8:30 A.M. on Saturday, March 17, 2012, at the Strafford School.

In accordance with requests put forth at the last Town Meeting, the Planning Board will be presenting for consideration this year a sign ordinance which will address the temporary and unsightly advertising signs that we are seeing around Town. The Planning Board will also ask the voters to support a dark skies ordinance. Both of these ordinances, Warrant articles 2 and 3, will be ballot items to be considered on March 13, 2012 along with Town and School Board candidates.

Greg Messenger has once again served the Town faithfully as the Town Road Agent. In an effort to assist him, we request your support for the article requesting funding for the construction of a separate salt shed on the existing Town property.

With respect to appropriations voted upon at the 2011 Town Meeting, the wooden guard rail in the parking lot of the Bow Lake Grange was repaired by Greg Messenger. Sincere thanks to many anonymous residents as well as the Strafford Garden Club and Bow Lake Camp Owners for their efforts to maintain and beautify the area beneath dam within the limitations allowed by the State.

2012 is a busy year with 4 scheduled elections.

- Presidential Primary – January 10, 2012
- Strafford Town and School Elections – March 13, 2012
- NH State Primary – September 11, 2012
- United States General Election – November 6, 2012

Polls will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Town Hall will be the polling place for all of these elections. We appreciate the patience exhibited by the voters as we work out a system that will accommodate smooth traffic flow on voting days.

Legislation and budgeting efforts at both the State and County level will naturally impact our Town budget. We are closely following those events and are very mindful that their effect will ultimately be borne by individual taxpayers. With that in mind we are monitoring every department budget very carefully; striving for level funded budgets wherever possible.

In 2011, in accordance with State mandate, the Town of Strafford underwent a Statistical Revaluation. We want to thank the taxpayers for their cooperation in this process and for working with our tax assessor to help assure the accuracy of the data.

In closing, we would like to thank all those volunteers who continue to serve on our various boards, commissions, committees, organizations, on the Library staff, and as members of the Fire and Rescue Department. Your time and effort to make and keep Strafford a wonderful place to live do not go unnoticed and are appreciated.

Respectfully,

R. Stephen Leighton, Chairman

Lynn Sweet, Selectman

JoAnn Brown, Selectman

TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

The polls will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the **Strafford Town Hall** in said Strafford on Tuesday, the Thirteenth (13th) day of March, next at 8:00 A.M. to act upon the following subjects:

**** 1.** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town of Strafford Zoning and Land Use Ordinances, as proposed by the Planning Board:

“To amend and clarify Article 1.3.8 SIGNS by adding new expanded guidelines for the placement of signs and to add a new definition Article 1.14.20 “Sign” to define the terms as used in the proposed ordinance. Effective Date 5/1/2012”

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town of Strafford Zoning and Land Use Ordinances, as proposed by the Planning Board:

“To add a new Article 1.3.12 OUTDOOR LIGHTING to encourage energy efficiency and to preserve dark night skies by controlling outdoor lighting to minimize glare and light trespass and to add new definitions Article 1.14.21 “Outdoor Lighting”, Article 1.14.21 “Luminaire” and Article 1.14.22 “Glare” to define the terms as used in the proposed ordinance.”

**** NOTE:** ALL ARTICLES EXCEPT ARTICLES 1, 2, AND 3, WILL BE TAKEN UP AT 8:30 A.M., SATURDAY, MARCH SEVENTEENTH (17th) 2012 AT THE **STRAFFORD SCHOOL**.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000. to be placed in the non-capital reserve fund created in 2004 for the purpose of funding any future bridge repairs/construction. The Selectmen recommend this article.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$283,000. for Capital Improvements (Drainage work, culverts, gravel and paving) of roads within the Town boundaries at the discretion of the Road Agent, as funding permits.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000. to construct a separate storage shed for salt to be used for road maintenance.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$216,260. for the operation and maintenance of the Strafford Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,083. to be used for the first year’s payment on the two year lease purchase agreement for the purpose of leasing to own the new ambulance authorized by Article 9 in 2011. Furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of \$26,083. from the special revenue fund known as the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Fund established by Article 8 at the March 14, 2000 Town Meeting to be used for this payment. No funding to come from general taxation.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000. to repair and resurface the parking area around the Bow Lake Fire Station and to purchase and install standby generators in all 3 stations with required electrical work. Furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of \$13,898. from the capital reserve fund created in 2009 for this purpose. The balance of \$36,102. to come from general taxation.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$457,674. for the operation and maintenance of the Police Department.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,154,324. for general Town operations.

Executive.....	\$ 68,664.
Election & Registration.....	23,425.
Financial Administration.....	69,746.
Appraisal of Property & Tax Maps.....	37,425.
Legal Expenses.....	10,000.
Employee Benefits, FICA, Medi & Unemp. Comp.....	32,968.
Planning and Zoning.....	7,480.
General Government Building.....	28,435.
Auto Permits/Town Clerk Fees.....	27,275.
Insurance.....	40,200.
Advertising and Regional Association.....	3,266.
Strafford Regional Planning Comm. Dues.....	4,532.
Contingency Fund.....	15,000.
Annual CPA Audit.....	10,890.
Ambulance.....	1,000.
Emergency Management.....	2,700.
Building Inspection.....	16,700.
General Highway Expenses and Town Maintenance.....	381,500.
Street Lighting.....	4,500.
Solid Waste Disposal.....	233,607.
Animal Control.....	3,800.
Health Inspector.....	400.
Rochester District Visiting Nurse Assoc.....	3,991.
General Assistance and Welfare.....	28,180.
Community Action.....	1,500.
Sexual Assault Support Services.....	992.
My Friend's Place.....	200.
The Homemakers Health Services.....	1,699.
CHANCES.....	2,500.
Parks and Recreation.....	15,913.
Library.....	68,801.
Patriotic Purposes and Fire Works.....	4,800.
Conservation Commission.....	235.
Interest Expense & Tax Anticipation Notes.....	2,000.

TOTAL..... \$ 1,154,324.

(The intent of this article is to raise the sum of \$1,154,324. exclusive of all other Articles addressed.)

12. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the use of the Class VI section of Old Parker Mountain Road running from the existing Class V section northwesterly to Mousam Road as a public way pursuant to RSA 231:43.

13. To see if the Town will vote to release an executory interest the Town holds for conservation purposes on property located on Evans Mountain Road and identified in the Town's tax records as Tax Map 5, Lot 25. The property is owned by Blue Hills Foundation, Inc. and is subject to a conservation easement held by Bear Paw Regional Greenways. The Town obtained the executory interest by deed of Van E. Hertel, Jr. dated January 21, 2010 and recorded at the Strafford County Registry of Deeds at Book 3807, Page 0093.

14. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the following capital reserve funds with said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, to be transferred to the Town's general fund:

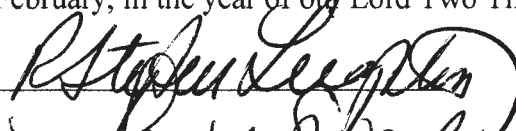
Storage Facility Fund (NH-01-0487-0001) Balance – 0
Police Vehicle Fund (NH-01-0487-0002) Balance – 0
Fire/Rescue Vehicle Fund (NH-01-0487-0003) Balance -0
Crown Point Fire Station (NH-01-0487-0004) Balance – 0
Recycling (NH-01-0487-0010) Balance – 0
Police Vehicle Fund (NH-01-0487-0013) Balance – 0
Fire & Police Fuel Tank & Pump (NH-01-0487-0020) Balance 0
Police Vehicle Fund (NH-01-0487-0022) Balance \$21.47

15. “ To see if the voters of the Town of Strafford will vote to require the Selectmen of Strafford to take the steps necessary for the Town of Strafford to have its own representative in the New Hampshire House of Representatives, as required by the New Hampshire Constitution.” (by petition.)

16. “By petition: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$95,000 to purchase the Nancy Hill property which abuts the Hill Library and \$20,000 for the purpose of providing space for improving and enlarging the town library. \$75,000 is for the property and the remaining \$20,000 is for the demolition of the buildings. The elected town library trustees will oversee the purchase and the project in conjunction with the board of selectmen. Majority vote required for passage.” (by petition.) The Selectmen do not recommend this article.

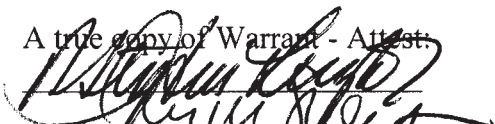
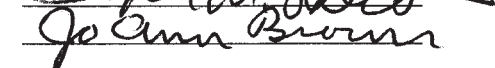
17. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 9th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve.


Robert L. Leighton


Jo Ann Brown
Selectmen of Strafford

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:


Robert L. Leighton

Jo Ann Brown

TITLE XX
TRANSPORTATION

CHAPTER 231

CITIES, TOWNS AND VILLAGE DISTRICT HIGHWAYS

Discontinuance of Class IV, V and VI Highways

Section 231:43

231:43 Power to Discontinue. —

I. Any class IV, V or VI highway, or any portion thereof, in a town may be discontinued by vote of a town; provided, however, that:

(a) Any highway to public waters, or portion of such highway, laid out by a commission appointed by the governor and council, shall not be discontinued except with the consent of the governor and council.

(b) Any class V highway established to provide a property owner or property owners with highway access to their property because of a taking under RSA 230:14 shall not be discontinued except by written consent by such property owner or property owners.

II. Written notice shall be given to all owners of property abutting such highway, at least 14 days prior to the vote of the town.

III. No owner of land shall, without the owner's written consent, be deprived of access over such highway, at such owner's own risk.

Source. RS 54:1. CS 58:1. GS 65:1. GL 71:1. PS 72:1. 1903, 14:1. 1925, 19:1. PL 79:1. 1931, 12:1; 121:1. RL 95:1. 1943, 68:1. 1945, 188:1, part 9:1. 1949, 13:1. RSA 238:1. 1981, 87:1. 1991, 36:1. 1995, 77:3, eff. June 8, 1995.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF: STRAFFORD

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

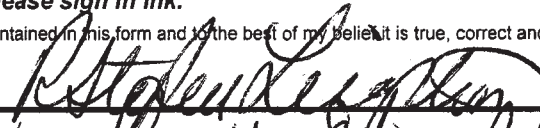
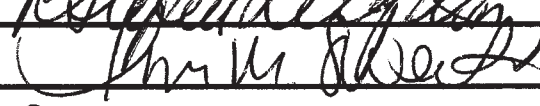

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): February 22, 2012

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)230-5090

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MS-6 Budget - TOWN OF STRAFFORD

FY 2012

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
4130-4139	Executive	11	66,563	65,958	68,664	
4140-4149	Elec,Auto Reg,Vital Sts,Clrk Fees	11	50,141	45,698	50,700	
4150-4151	Financial Adm & CPA Audit	11	79,657	70,819	80,636	
4152	Reval of Property & Tax Maps	11	37,268	34,774	37,425	
4153	Legal Expense	11	10,000	1,326	10,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Adm,Fica,Medi,Unemp	11	33,510	32,213	32,968	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	11	7,000	6,239	7,480	
4194	General Government Buildings	11	27,300	25,457	28,435	
4195	Cemeteries					
4196	Insurance	11	39,500	40,153	40,200	
4197	Advrtng,Rgnl Assoc,SRPC Dues	11	7,871	7,811	7,798	
4199	Other Gen Govt/Contingency	11	15,000	250	15,000	
PUBLIC SAFETY						
4210-4214	Police	10	443,994	432,325	457,674	
4215-4219	Ambulance	11	1,000	0	1,000	
4220-4229	Fire	7	216,260	214,976	216,260	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	11	16,500	10,479	16,700	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	11	2,500	2,700	2,700	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)					
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER						
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
HIGHWAYS & STREETS						
4311	Admin/Gen Hwy & Road Maint	11	381,500	378,960	381,500	
4312	Highways & Streets					
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting	11	4,300	4,465	4,500	
4319	Other (Road Improvements)	5	Ref Acct#4901 for	('11)Appr/Exp	283,000	
SANITATION						
4321	Administration	11	234,060	223,674	233,607	
4323	Solid Waste Collection					
4324	Solid Waste Disposal					
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up					
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other					

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT						
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other					
ELECTRIC						
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
HEALTH						
4411	Administration	11	400	109	400	
4414	Pest Control/Animal Control	11	3,200	3,329	3,800	
4415-4419	Health Agncy/Rochester Distr VNA	11	3,991	3,991	3,991	
WELFARE						
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	11	28,180	5,219	28,180	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymts					
4445-4449	Comm Actn, Homemkrs Hlth Svcs	11	7,141	7,141	6,891	
CULTURE & RECREATION						
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	11	15,472	12,850	15,913	
4550-4559	Library	11	67,379	67,253	68,801	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	11	4,800	4,515	4,800	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation					
CONSERVATION						
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources	11	225	225	235	
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing					
4651-4659	Economic Development					
DEBT SERVICE						
4711	Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	11	2,000	0	2,000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					

MS-6 Budget - Town of STRAFFORD

FY 2012

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		OP Bud.	Appropriations	Actual	Appropriations	Appropriations
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Expenditures Prior Year	Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
CAPITAL OUTLAY						
4901	Land (Road Improvements)		221,000	190,805	Ref Acct#4319 for	('12)Approp Request
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.					
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	- Sewer					
	- Water					
	- Electric					
	- Airport					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Fiduciary Funds					
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL			2,027,712	1,893,714	2,111,258	

Use page 5 for special and individual warrant articles.

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Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund					
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4915	NCRF-Bridge Rpr/Rpl	4	40,000	40,000	40,000	
4915	CRF-Gas/Fuel Fund Municipal Use		10,000	10,000	0	
4915	CRF-Reflective Road Signage		4,000	4,000	0	
4915	CRF-Police Vehicle & Equipment		12,000	12,000	0	
4903	Nancy Hill property purchase-petition	16	0	0	0	115,000
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			66,000		40,000	

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS		Warr.	Appropriations	Actual	Appropriations	Appropriations
Acct. #	(RSA 32:3,V)	Art.#	Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Expenditures Prior Year	Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4,902.00	Ambulance Lease/Purchase	8	113,966.00	113,966.00	26,083.00	
4,903.00	Salt Shed (Road Maint.)	6	0.00	0.00	75,000.00	
4,909.00	Parking Lot, Generators & Elec.	9	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	
4,909.00	Guard Rail @ Bow Lake Grange Lot		2,500.00	2,316.00	0.00	
4,909.00	Reval/Statitiscal Update		50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00	
4,902.00	Forestry Truck Lease/Purchase		69,487.00	69,487.00	0.00	
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			235,953		151,083	

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		12,000	12,630	16,500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		65,000	93,670	93,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	11	591,000	587,763	587,000
3230	Building Permits	11	15,000	20,455	20,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	11	26,000	30,327	30,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FROM STATE					
3351	Shared Revenues		0	0	0
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		178,275	178,262	178,262
3353	Highway Block Grant		126,836	123,439	108,509
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)				
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		933	933	0
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	11	55,000	61,704	61,000
3409	Other Charges-Planning Bd/Bd of Adjstmnt	11	4,000	9,122	9,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property				
3502	Interest on Investments		2,500	1,902	2,000
3503-3509	Other				

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	8	113,966	113,966	26,083
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	9	25,000	25,000	13,898
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amount Voted From Fund Balance				
	Estimated Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		200,000	200,000	200,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			1,412,100	1,459,173	1,345,252

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	2,027,712	2,111,258
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	66,000	40,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	235,953	151,083
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	2,329,665	2,302,341
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	1,412,100	1,345,252
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	917,565	957,089

Part III GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
MODIFIED ACCRUAL

A. ASSETS		Account No. (a)	Beginning of Year (b)	End of year (c)
1. Current assets				
a. Cash and equivalents		1010	853,643	2,961,939
b. Investments		1030	2,696,401	466,401
c. Taxes receivable (From Section D, page 12)		1080	688,521	773,258
d. Tax liens receivable (From Section D, page 12)		1110	219,722	244,412
e. Accounts receivable		1150	-	-
f. Due from other governments		1260	138,083	-
g. Due from other funds		1310	-	-
h. Other current assets		1400	-	-
i. Tax deeded property (subject to resale)		1670		
j. TOTAL ASSETS (Should equal line B3) ----- >			4,596,370	\$ 4,446,010
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY				
1. Current liabilities				
a. Warrants and accounts payable		2020	51,317	29,024
b. Compensated absences payable		2030		
c. Contracts payable		2050		
d. Due to other governments		2070	-	-
e. Due to school districts		2075	3,852,134	3,886,329
f. Due to other funds		2080	-	
g. Deferred revenue		2220		
h. Notes payable - Current		2230		
i. Bonds payable - Current		2250		
j. Other payables		2270		
k. TOTAL LIABILITIES ----->			3,903,451	\$ 3,915,353
2. Fund equity				
a. Reserve for encumbrances (Please detail on page 10)		2440	72,780	8,250
b. Reserve for continuing appropriations (Detail on page 10)		2450		
c. Reserve for appropriations voted from surplus		2460		
d. Reserve for special purposes (Please detail on page 10)		2490		
e. Unreserved fund balance		2530	620,139	522,407
f. TOTAL FUND EQUITY ----->			692,919	\$ 530,657
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY ----- >				
(Should equal line A1j) ----- >			4,596,370	\$ 4,446,010

REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

(RSA 21-J:34)

Town/City Of: Strafford County: StraffordMailing Address: P.O. Box 23
Center Strafford, NH 03815Phone #: 664-2192, Ext. 101 Fax #: 664- 7276 E-Mail: _____

Certificate of Appropriations

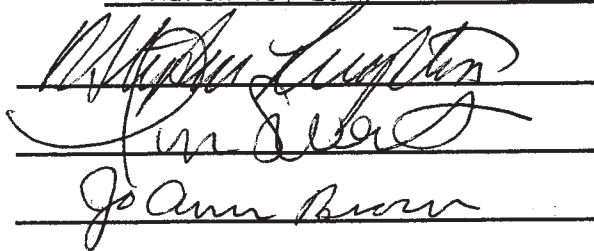
(To be Completed After each Annual and Special Meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Governing Body (Selectmen)

Please sign in ink.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Date: March 15, 2011

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NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS Acct.# (RSA 32:3,V)		WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
4130-4139	Executive	17	66,563	
4140-4149	Elec, Reg& Vital Sts/Auto & Town Clrk Fees	17	50,141	
4150-4151	Financial Admn & CPA Audit	17	79,657	
4152	Reval of Prop/Tax Maps & Appraisal	17	37,268	
4153	Legal Expense	17	10,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Admn & FICA,Medi,Unemp Cmp	17	33,510	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	17	7,000	
4194	General Government Buildings	17	27,300	
4195	Cemeteries			
4196	Insurance	17	39,500	
4197	Advert & Regional Assoc & SRPC Dues	17	7,871	
4199	Other Gen Govt/Contingency	17	15,000	
PUBLIC SAFETY				
4210-4214	Police	12	443,994	
4215-4219	Ambulance	17	1,000	
4220-4229	Fire & Rescue	7	216,260	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	17	16,500	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	17	2,500	
4299	Other (Including Communications)			
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER				
4301-4309	Airport Operations			
HIGHWAYS & STREETS				
4311	Administration/Gen Highway & Road Mnt	17	381,500	
4312	Highways & Streets			
4313	Bridges			
4316	Street Lighting	17	4,300	
4319	Other			
SANITATION				
4321	Administration	17	234,080	
4323	Solid Waste Collection			
4324	Solid Waste Disposal			
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up			
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other			
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT				
4331	Administration			
4332	Water Services			
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv & Other			
ELECTRIC				
4351-4359	Electrical Operations			

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PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS		WARR.	Appropriations As	For Use By
Acct.#	(RSA 32:3,V)	ART.#	Voted	Department of Revenue Administration
HEALTH				
4411	Administration	17	400	
4414	Pest Control/Animal Control	17	3,200	
4415-4419	Health Agencies/Roch District VNA	17	3,991	
WELFARE				
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	17	28,180	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts			
4445-4449	Comm-Action, Sxul Asslt Spprt, CHANCES, Homemakers Health Svcs, My Friends PI	17	7,141	
CULTURE & RECREATION				
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	17	15,472	
4550-4559	Library	17	67,379	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	17	4,800	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation			
CONSERVATION				
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources	17	225	
4619	Other Conservation			
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing			
4651-4659	Economic Development			
DEBT SERVICE				
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes			
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes			
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Note	17	2,000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
4901	Land	5	221,000	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	8, 9	183,453	
4903	Buildings			
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs	14, 16	52,500	
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT				
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Proprietary Fund			
	Sewer-			
	Water-			
	Electric-			
	Airport-			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	4, 6, 13, 15	66,000	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917			
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds			
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds			
4919	To Agency Funds			
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS			2,329,665	

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Municipal Services Division

PO BOX 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487 Phone (603) 271-2687

Email Address: equalization@rev.state.nh.us

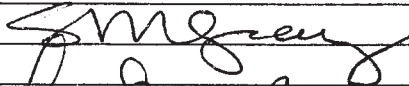
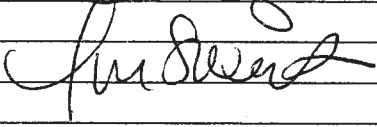
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Revision Date: _____	

CITY/TOWN OF STRAFFORD IN STRAFFORD COUNTY

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information provided in this report was taken from the official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.
Rev 1707.03(d)(7)

PRINT NAMES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS	SIGNATURES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS* (Sign in ink)
STEPHANIE GRAY	
R. STEPHEN LEIGHTON	
LYNN SWEET	

*Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Date Signed 8/24/2010 Check one: Governing Body ☒ Assessors ☐

City/Town Telephone # 662-2192, EXT. 101 Due date: September 1, 2010

Complete the above required certification by inserting the name of the city/town officials, the date on which the certificate is signed, and have the majority of the members of the board of selectmen/assessing officials sign in ink.

REPORTS REQUIRED: RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon forms prescribed for that purpose.

NOTE: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/towns tax assessments and sworn to uphold under Oath per RSA 75:7. Please complete all applicable pages and refer to the instructions tab for individual items.

THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DRA NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1ST.

Village Districts - pages 8-9 must be completed for EACH village district within the municipality.

RETURN THIS SIGNED AND COMPLETED INVENTORY FORM TO:

N.H. DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
PO BOX 487
CONCORD, NH 03302-0487

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete. (If prepared by a person other than the city/town officials, this declaration is based on all information of which the preparer has knowledge.)

Preparer: ELLEN J. WHITE, ADMINISTRATOR E-Mail Address: _____
(Print/type)

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Regular office hours: Mon., Tues., Wed. - 9 AM to 12 Noon

See instructions (pdf link) on page 10, as needed.

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

2010

FORM MS-1 FOR 2010

LAND BUILDINGS	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E, F & G List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving. Lines 2 A, B, C, D & E List all buildings.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2010 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4			
A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See page 10)		21,661.00	\$2,157,000
B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B		0.00	\$0
C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C		0.00	\$0
D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D		0.11	\$4,000
E Taxation of Farm Structures & Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F		0.00	\$0
F Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)		6,587.00	\$245,963,600
G Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)		157.00	\$2,526,100
H Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F and 1G)		28,405.11	\$250,650,700
I Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land		2,264.00	\$65,568,300
2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A and 3B			
A Residential			\$239,244,200
B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31			\$4,733,800
C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)			\$2,853,200
D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	2	\$29,500
E Taxation of Farm Structures & Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F	# of Structures	0	\$0
F Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D and 2E)			\$246,860,700
G Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings			\$7,901,800
3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition)			
A Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.)			\$3,046,200
B Other Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary)			\$20,300
4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5			\$0
5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1H, 2F, 3A, 3B and 4) This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			\$500,577,900
6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a (Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)		Total # granted 0	\$0
7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b V		Total # granted 0	\$0
8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a		Total # granted 0	\$0
9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV (Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)		Total # granted 0	\$0
10 Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a		Total # granted 0	\$0
11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			\$500,577,900
12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37		Total # granted 0	\$0
Amount granted per exemption		\$0	
13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b		Total # granted 15	\$508,700
14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b		Total # granted 0	\$0
Amount granted per exemption		\$0	
15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b		Total # granted 3	\$90,000
Amount granted per exemption		\$30,000	

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
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16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # granted	0	\$0
17 Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # granted	0	\$0
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	Total # granted	0	\$0
19 Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV	Total # granted	0	\$0
20 TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19)			\$598,700
21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)			\$499,979,200
22 Less Utilities (Line 3A) Do NOT include the value of OTHER utilities listed in Line 3B.			\$3,046,200
23 NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 21 minus Line 22)			\$496,933,000

Additional notes (example: update, reval, changes to exemptions, mapping, increases to value, decreases to value, etc.)

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

FORM MS-1 FOR 2010

UTILITY SUMMARY: ELECTRIC, HYDROELECTRIC, RENEWABLE-MISC., NUCLEAR, GAS/PIPELINE, WATER & SEWER

List by individual company/legal entity the valuation of operating plants employed in the production, distribution, and transmission of electricity, gas pipeline, water and petroleum products. Include **ONLY** the names of the companies listed on the Instruction Sheets. (See instructions page 11)

WHO APPRAISES AND ESTABLISHES THE UTILITY VALUE IN YOUR MUNICIPALITY?**DOES YOUR MUNICIPALITY USE THE DRA UTILITY VALUES?**YES ☐NO ☒**IF YES, DO YOU EQUALIZE IT BY THE RATIO? (please check appropriate box, if applicable)**YES ☐NO ☐**SECTION A: LIST ELECTRIC COMPANIES:**

(Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See instructions page 11)

2010**VALUATION**

PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

\$3,003,200

\$0

\$0

\$0

\$0

\$0

\$0

A1 TOTAL OF ALL ELECTRIC COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION:

(See instructions page 11 for the names of the limited number of companies)

\$3,003,200

GAS COMPANIES

\$0

\$0

\$0

A2 TOTAL OF ALL GAS COMPANIES LISTED:

(See instructions page 11 for the names of the limited number of companies)

\$0

WATER & SEWER COMPANIES

NORTH COUNTRY WATER SUPPLY

\$43,000

\$0

\$0

A3 TOTAL OF ALL WATER & SEWER COMPANIES LISTED:

(See page 11 for the names of the limited number of companies)

\$43,000

GRAND TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL A UTILITY COMPANIES (Sum of Lines A1, A2 AND A3).

This grand total of all sections must agree with the total listed on page 2, Line 3A.

\$3,046,200

SECTION B: LIST OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES (Exclude telephone companies):

(Attach additional sheet if needed.)

2010**VALUATION**

CITY OF ROCHESTER

\$20,300

\$0

\$0

TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION B:

Total must agree with total on page 2, line 3B.

\$20,300

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

FORM MS-1 FOR 2010

TAX CREDITS	LIMITS	*NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS
RSA 72:28 Veterans' Tax Credit / Optional Veterans' Tax Credit \$50 Standard Credit \$51 up to \$500 upon adoption by city or town	\$200	192	\$38,400
RSA 72:29-a Surviving Spouse "The surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States..." \$700 Standard Credit \$701 up to \$2,000 upon adoption by city or town	\$0	0	\$0
RSA 72:35 Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability "Any person who has been honorably discharged from the military service of the United States and who has total and permanent service-connected disability, or who is a double amputee or paraplegic because of service-connected injury...." \$700 Standard Credit \$701 up to \$2,000 upon adoption by city or town	\$700	6	\$4,200
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT * If both husband and/or wife qualify for the credit, they count as 2. someone is living at a residence such as brother & sister, and one qualifies, count as 1, not one-half.		198	\$42,600

DISABLED EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:37-b

INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$20,000	ASSET LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$35,000
	MARRIED	\$30,000		MARRIED	\$35,000

DEAF EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:38-b

INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$0	ASSET LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$0
	MARRIED	\$0		MARRIED	\$0

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:39-a

NUMBER OF FIRST TIME FILERS GRANTED ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR CURRENT YEAR		PER AGE CATEGORY	TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS GRANTED			
AGE	#	AMOUNT PER INDIVIDUAL	AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT	TOTAL ACTUAL EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65-74	1	\$30,000	65-74	7	\$210,000	\$168,700
75-79	0	\$40,000	75-79	6	\$240,000	\$240,000
80+	0	\$50,000	80+	2	\$100,000	\$100,000
			TOTAL	15	\$550,000	\$508,700
INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$20,000	ASSET LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$75,000	
	MARRIED	\$30,000		MARRIED	\$75,000	

COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION TAX RELIEF INCENTIVE - RSA 79-E

ADOPTED:	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NUMBER ADOPTED	
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NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
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CURRENT USE REPORT - RSA 79-A				
	TOTAL NUMBER ACRES RECEIVING CURRENT USE	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CURRENT USE STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND	1,135.00	\$391,200	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	7602.00
FOREST LAND	13,580.00	\$1,435,100	REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT TAX YEAR	14.99
FOREST LAND WITH DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	5,400.00	\$309,700		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	68.00	\$900		
WET LAND	1,478.00	\$20,100	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS IN CURRENT USE	363
TOTAL (must match page 2)	21,661.00	\$2,157,000	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS IN CURRENT USE	581

LAND USE CHANGE TAX				
GROSS MONIES RECEIVED FOR CALENDAR YEAR (JAN. 1, 2009 THRU DEC. 31, 2009).				\$0
CONSERVATION ALLOCATION:	PERCENTAGE	100%	AND/OR	DOLLAR AMOUNT
MONIES TO CONSERVATION FUND				\$0
MONIES TO GENERAL FUND				\$0

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORT - RSA 79-B				
	TOTAL NUMBER ACRES RECEIVING CONSERVATION	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND	0.00	\$0	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	0.00
FOREST LAND	0.00	\$0	REMOVED FROM CONSERVATION RESTRICTION DURING CURRENT YEAR	0.00
FOREST LAND WITH DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	0.00	\$0		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	0.00	\$0		
WET LAND	0.00	\$0	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	0
TOTAL	0.00	\$0	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	0

DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS - RSA 79-C			
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES IN DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS GRANTED DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS GRANTED: (i.e.: Golf Course, Ball Park, Race Track, etc.)	
0.00	0	DESCRIPTION	
ASSESSED VALUATION		DESCRIPTION	
\$0		DESCRIPTION	
		DESCRIPTION	

TAXATION OF FARM STRUCTURES & LAND UNDER FARM STRUCTURES - RSA 79-F				
TOTAL NUMBER GRANTED	TOTAL NUMBER OF STRUCTURES	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES	ASSESSED VALUATION LAND	ASSESSED VALUATION STRUCTURES
0	0	0.00	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

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DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS - RSA 79-D		
Historic Agricultural Structures		
TOTAL NUMBER OF STRUCTURES IN DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS GRANTED: (i.e.; Bams, Silos etc.) MAP & LOT - PERCENTAGE GRANTED	
2	011-004 50%	BARN
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES	010-013 75%	BARN
0.11	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
ASSESSED VALUATION	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
\$4,000	L/O DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
\$29,500	B/O DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
2	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS RSA 162-K (See Tax Increment Finance Dist Tab for instructions)	TIF #1	TIF #2	TIF #3	TIF #4
Date of Adoption/Modification	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy
A Original assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
B + Unretained captured assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
C = Amounts used on page 2 (for tax rate purposes)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
D + Retained captured assessed value (*be sure to manually add this figure when running your warrant)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
E Current assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

LIST REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAX Amounts listed below should not be included in assessed valuation column on page 2.	MUNICIPALITY	LIST SOURCE(S) OF PAYMENT In Lieu of Taxes
		Number of Acres
State & Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land from MS-4, acct. 3356 & 3357.	\$0	0.00
White Mountain National Forest, Only acct. 3186.	\$0	0.00
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
TOTALS of account 3186 (Exclude WMNF)	\$0	

* RSA 362-A:6 was reinstated, effective 4/1/2006. This statute allows municipalities to enter into payment in lieu of tax agreements with small scale power facilities. However, these new PILOT agreements are also taxable under RSA 83-F.

Questions regarding these laws please consult with the DRA Utility Tax Appraiser at (603) 271-2687.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

Municipal Services Division 2011 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: STRAFFORD

Gross Appropriations	2,329,665
Less: Revenues	1,412,100
	0
Add: Overlay (RSA 76:6)	47,083
War Service Credits	43,500

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Net Town Appropriation	1,008,148
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	1,008,148
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TOWN RATE
2.23

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget:			
Gross Approp. - Revenue	11,211,658	821,243	10,390,415
Regional School Apportionment			0
Less: Education Grant			(2,279,185)

Education Tax (from below)	(1,093,069)
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Approved School(s) Tax Effort	7,018,161
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LOCAL SCHOOL RATE
15.53

EDUCATION TAX

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	\$2.325	
470,137,181		1,093,069
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
448,692,500		

STATE SCHOOL RATE
2.44

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	1,176,209
	0

Approved County Tax Effort	1,176,209
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COUNTY RATE
2.60

Total Property Taxes Assessed	10,295,587
Less: War Service Credits	(43,500)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	10,252,087

TOTAL RATE
22.80

PROOF OF RATE

Local Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
Education Tax (no utilities)	448,692,500	2.44	1,093,069
All Other Taxes	451,904,600	20.36	9,202,518
			10,295,587

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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT – 2011

It is a pleasure to serve you at the Town Clerk's office! We enjoy seeing you as you come in to the Town Hall to register your vehicles and take care of other Town business.

We are on-line at www.trafford.nh.gov for car registration renewals and dog licensing.

Office Hours: Monday/Wednesday/Thursday – 8:30 – 2:00 & Tuesdays 1:00 – 7:00
Mailing address: P.O. Box 169, Strafford, NH 03884
Phone & Fax: Ph: 603-664-2192 x102 Fax: 603-664-7276

The Town Clerk's office offers the following services:

Vehicle Registrations - Dog Licenses - Vital Records - Voter Registration –
Marriage Licenses – Election Coordination - Dump Stickers

The Town Hall will be closed on the following days in 2012:

January 10	(Presidential Primary Election Day)	September 3	(Labor Day)
January 16	(Martin Luther King Jr. Day)	September 11	(State Primary Election)
February 20	(President's Day)	October 8	(Columbus Day)
March 13	(Town Election Day)	November 6	(General Election Day)
May 28	(Memorial Day)	November 22	(Thanksgiving Day)
July 4	(Independence Day)	December 24/25	(Christmas Holiday)

- On all Election Days, the polls open at 8:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M.
- Town Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 17, 2012 at 8:30 A.M. at the Strafford School Gymnasium.

Check the Strafford Community Calendar's "Notes From The Town Clerk" each month, for news and reminders from the Town Clerk's Office. The Community Calendar is on-line at www.traffordcommunitycalendar.com

You can also find Town Clerk information on the Town of Strafford's Website at www.trafford.nh.gov

If you have questions throughout the year, please don't hesitate to call us at (603)664-2192 Ext. 102. We are always happy to answer your questions and help in any way we can.

At your service:

Diane Waldron – Strafford Town Clerk
Judy Dupre – Deputy Town Clerk



















Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Waldron
Strafford Town Clerk

RECEIPTS FOR 2011:

REMITTANCE TO TREASURER:

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A 10x10 grid of 100 squares, each containing a unique combination of black and white squares, representing a binary code for each letter of the alphabet. The letters are arranged in rows: Row 1 (A-J), Row 2 (K-T), Row 3 (U-Z), Row 4 (A-J), Row 5 (K-T), Row 6 (U-Z), Row 7 (A-J), Row 8 (K-T), Row 9 (U-Z), and Row 10 (A-J).

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TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2011

RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 2011.....	\$ 3,550,043.47
Receipts.....	\$ 11,888,025.64
Total Receipts.....	<u>\$ 15,438,069.11</u>

EXPENDITURES

Expenditures 2011.....	\$ 12,009,729.42
Balance Check Book, Dec. 31, 2011.....	\$ 2,961,938.76
Balance Investment Account	\$ 466,400.93
Total Expenditures.....	<u>\$ 15,438,069.11</u>

N.H. Deposit Investment Pool.....\$ 466,400.93

Strafford Conservation Commission Easement Fund
Acct# NH 01-0562-0001

Balance January 1, 2011	\$ 64,316.97
Withdrawals 2011	\$ 9,707.84
Interest Earned 2011	\$ 41.09
Total Balance	<u>\$ 54,650.22</u>

Town of Strafford Ambulance Acct. #NH 01-0030-0003

Balance January 1, 2011	\$ 115,650.47
Deposited 2011	\$ 44,077.76
Interest Earned 2011	\$ 94.46
Total Balance	<u>\$ 159,822.69</u>

Note: Due to an error by NHPDIP the truck payment of \$113,966.00 did not come out of this account until January 2012.

Conservation Commission Acct. #NH-01-0030-0004

Balance January 1, 2011	\$ 16,095.69
Withdrawals 2011	\$ 9,989.47
Interest Earned 2011	\$ 11.14
Total Balance	<u>\$ 6,117.36</u>

Police Special Details Acct. #NH-01-0030-0010

Balance January 1, 2011	\$ 15,640.50
Deposited 2011	\$ 63,909.22
Withdrawals 2011	\$ 39,620.42
Interest Earned 2011	\$ 23.83
Total Balance	<u>\$ 39,953.13</u>

Timber Escrow Acct. #NH-01-0030-0008

Balance January 1, 2011	\$ 1,999.53
Interest Earned 2011	1.48
Total Balance	<u>\$ 2,001.01</u>

IN LIEU OF AUDIT

February 1, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

Please note that the Town's financial audit for the year ending December 31, 2011 is in process, therefore no Auditor's Report is available at this time.

Upon completion of the audit, the information will be available at the Town Office.

TOWN OF STRAFFORD
Board of Selectmen

R. Stephen Leighton, Chairman

Lynn Sweet, Selectman

JoAnn Brown, Selectman

STRAFFORD TOWN MEETING
MARCH 12, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at the Strafford Town Hall, in the Town of Strafford, by Moderator Pro Tem Diane Waldron to act on Articles 1, 2 and 3 of the 2011 Town Warrant by ballot vote.

The ballots were cast and the meeting recessed at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of tallying the votes.

The meeting was called to order again at 8:35 a.m., on Saturday March 12, 2011 at the Strafford School Gymnasium by Moderator William Lord, to act on articles 4 through 18.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Boy Scouts.

The Moderator read the results of the March 8, 2011 election.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Voters on the checklist	3,257
Votes cast	473
Library Trustee – Three years	
Anne O. Smith.....	423
Road Agent – One year	
Greg Messenger	436
Selectman – Three years	
JoAnn Brown.....	190
Trustee of the Trust Fund – Three years	
Michelle Benger	400

The Moderator discussed the rules and proper conduct of the meeting.

Selectman Stephanie Gray presented a “State of the Town” presentation.

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendments to the existing Town of Strafford Zoning and Land Use Ordinances, as proposed by the Planning Board:

“To amend Article 1.4.3 “Conservation Development” by adding expanded guidelines for determining lot density, adding revised guidelines based on soils for determining lot size calculations, clarifying requirements for open space, and by clarifying the application process for conservation development projects. Also, to add a new definition Article 1.14.19 BUILDING ENVELOPE that defines building envelope as the area within which structures shall be located, as used in the proposed revisions to lot size requirements for Conservation Development.”

YES – 241

NO – 183

Article #2 carried.

3. "By petition of the undersigned registered voters of Strafford, NH; by the authority of NH RSA 673:2, II(b); to see if the town will vote to change Planning Board members from appointed to elected, effective the next regular town election. The Planning Board will continue to have five members, who shall be elected pursuant to subparagraph 2." (by petition.)

YES – 357

NO – 93

Article #3 carried.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000. to be placed in the non-capital reserve fund created in 2004 for the purpose of funding any future bridge repairs/construction.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Selectman Stephanie Gray made a motion to amend the article to read:

"To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000. to be placed in the non-capital reserve fund created in 2004 for the purpose of funding any future bridge repairs/construction."

There was no discussion. Moderator Lord read the article as amended. Vote taken on the amendment and carried. Vote taken on the article as amended and carried.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$221,000. for Capital Improvements (Drainage work, culverts, gravel and paving) of the following roads at the discretion of the Road Agent, as funding permits:

- a. Whig Hill Road – From the intersection of Barberry Lane to the intersection of Sunny Oak Terrace (Approximately .3 miles)
- b. Pinewood Drive (Approximately .2 miles)
- c. Wingate Road – From the intersection of Leighton Corner Road to the intersection of Barn Door Gap Road (Approximately 1.7 miles)
- d. Huckins Road (Approximately .4 miles)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

After brief discussion Moderator Lord re-read the article. Vote taken on the article and carried.

6. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35:1 for reflective road signage and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000. to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as Agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Stephanie Gray addressed the article.

After brief discussion Moderator Lord re-read the article. Vote taken on the article and carried.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$216,260. for the operation and maintenance of the Strafford Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

After one brief question from Irving Johnson the Moderator re-read the article. Vote taken and carried.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$69,487. to be used for the final payment of any balance due on the two year lease purchase agreement for the purpose of leasing to own the new Forestry vehicle authorized by Article 6 in 2010.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Stephanie Gray addressed the article. With no discussion Moderator Lord re-read the article. Vote taken on the article and carried.

9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a four year lease agreement for \$165,000. for the purpose of leasing to own a new ambulance and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000. for the first year's payment for that purpose. Furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of \$100,000. from the special revenue fund known as the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Fund established by Article 8 at the March 14, 2000 Town Meeting to be used for the first year's payment. This lease contains an escape clause. No funding to come from general taxation.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Selectman Stephanie Gray made a motion to amend the article to read:

"To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three year lease agreement in the amount of \$176,000. for the purpose of leasing to own a new ambulance and to authorize the trade-in of the old ambulance to lower the lease/purchase agreement amount by such trade-in value; further to raise and appropriate \$113,966. for the first year's payment with such sum to be withdrawn from the special revenue fund known as the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Special Revenue fund established by Article 8 at the March 14, 2000 Town Meeting. This lease/purchase agreement contains an escape clause. No funding to come from general taxation."

Motion to amend seconded. Moderator Lord clarified the amendment.

After discussion, Moderator Lord re-read the amended article. Vote taken on the amendment and carried.

Don Clifford then made a motion to amend the article to read:

"to not trade in the current ambulance and to put in out for bid"

Motion to amend seconded. After lengthy discussion Moderator Lord re-read the amendment. Vote taken on the amendment and failed.

After more discussion Moderator Lord re-read the article as originally amended. A vote was taken on the article as originally amended and carried.

10. To see if the Town will vote establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35:1 for construction of a new Crown Point Fire Station and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000. to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as Agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Selectman Stephanie Gray made a motion to see if the Town will vote to “table” article 10 asking to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for construction of a new Crown Point Fire Station and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000. to be placed in this fund.

The motion to table was seconded. A vote was taken to table article #10 and carried.

11. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of Fire Department special details. All revenues received for Fire Department special details will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town’s general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Selectman Stephanie Gray addressed the article.

Suzie Morgan asked that when we site RSA’s, the actual RSA be put on the warrant. This was requested last year, and was overlooked on this year’s warrant. The Selectmen agreed to make sure this was done on future warrants.

After brief discussion on the article Steve Bulger made a motion to amend the article to read: “Money in the fund up to \$20,000. be allowed to accumulate from year to year and any amounts in excess of \$20,000. be returned to the general unreserved fund balance”.

The motion to amend was seconded. After lengthy discussion Moderator Lord read the article as amended.

After more discussion a vote was taken on the amendment and failed.

After additional brief discussion a vote was taken on the original article and carried.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$443,994. for the operation and maintenance of the Police Department.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Chief Young addressed the article. There was no discussion. Vote taken on the article and carried.

13. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the future purchase of police vehicles and associated equipment and to raise and appropriate \$12,000. to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Selectman Stephanie Gray addressed the article. There was no discussion. Vote taken on the article and carried.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000. for the revaluation/statistical update of the Town and to authorize the withdrawal of \$25,000. from the Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose by Article 11 in 2010. The balance of \$25,000. to come from general taxation.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Selectman Stephanie Gray addressed the article.

After brief discussion Moderator Lord re-read the article. Vote taken on the article and carried.

15. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Non-Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of funding unanticipated costs associated with future fuel/oil purchases for Municipal use and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000. to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Selectman Stephanie Gray made a motion to amend the article to read:

“To see if the Town will vote to establish a Non-Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of funding unanticipated costs associated with future fuel/oil purchased for Municipal use and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000. To be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend ”.

The motion was seconded. After lengthy discussion a vote was taken on the amendment and carried. Moderator Lord read the article as amended. Vote taken on the amended article and carried.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500. to repair the wooden guard rail located in the parking lot of the Bow Lake Grange.

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

After one brief question Moderator Lord re-read the article. Vote taken on the article and carried.

17 . To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,111,458. for general Town operations.

Executive.....	\$ 66,563.
Election & Registration.....	22,891.
Financial Administration.....	68,767.
Appraisal of Property & Tax Maps.....	37,268.
Legal Expenses.....	10,000.
Employee Benefits, FICA, Medi & Unemp. Comp.....	33,510.
Planning and Zoning.....	7,000.
General Government Building.....	27,300.
Auto Permits/Town Clerk Fees.....	27,250.
Insurance.....	39,500.
Advertising and Regional Association.....	3,266.
Strafford Regional Planning Comm. Dues.....	4,605.
Contingency Fund.....	15,000.
Annual CPA Audit.....	10,890.
Ambulance.....	1,000.
Emergency Management.....	2,500.
Building Inspection.....	16,500.
General Highway Expenses and Town Maintenance.....	346,500.
Street Lighting.....	4,300.
Solid Waste Disposal.....	234,060.
Animal Control.....	3,200.
Health Inspector.....	400.
Rochester District Visiting Nurse Assoc.....	3,991.
General Assistance and Welfare.....	28,180.
Community Action.....	1,750.
Sexual Assault Support Services.....	992.
My Friend's Place.....	200.
The Homemakers Health Services.....	1,699.
CHANCES.....	2,500.
Parks and Recreation.....	15,472.
Library.....	67,379.
Patriotic Purposes and Fire Works.....	4,800.
Conservation Commission.....	225.
Interest Expense & Tax Anticipation Notes.....	2,000.

TOTAL..... \$ 1,111,458.

(The intent of this article is to raise the sum of \$1,111,458. exclusive of all other Articles addressed.)

Moderator Lord read the article. Motion made and seconded.

Selectman Stephanie Gray made a motion to amend the article as follows:

“To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,146,458. for general Town operations.”

The intent of this amendment is to add \$35,000. to the line for General Highway Expenses and Town Maintenance increasing it from \$346,500. to \$381,500 to help offset funds already expended from the 2011 budget due to winter storms to date.

The motion to amend was seconded. Stephanie Gray addressed the amendment.

After a brief question from Mary Dempsey regarding the article, she asked about the “pay as you throw” program which was brought before the town 2 years ago. Stephanie addressed the question and said that a study was done and it was recommended that Strafford not do pay as you throw because we do a good job recycling, and pay as you throw would have a negative benefit.

After the above brief discussion Moderator Lord read the amendment. A vote was taken on the amendment and carried.

Moderator Lord re-read the amended article. Vote taken on the amended article and carried.

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Don Clifford made a motion to address the amount of “trash” signs that are posted around town. Can we come up with a town ordinance that would limit the amount of signs that are allowed to be posted in Town? Stephanie Gray said that the Selectman agree and the next Board of Selectman will address it. The motion was seconded. A vote was taken on the motion and carried.

Irving Johnson voiced his desire to have SB2 in Strafford. The suggestion was out of order and could be addressed on next year’s warrant.

Moderator Bill Lord asked Kurt Wuelper to step in as Moderator so that Bill could address the residents. Bill commended Greg Messenger on the good work he does as Road Agent in Strafford, then made a motion requesting the Selectmen look into creating an ordinance that would address the “stray lights” in town. The ordinance would eliminate the stray, bright lights in Strafford. The motion was seconded. After brief discussion a vote was taken on the motion and carried.

Bob Perry commented that Town Meeting democracy is transparent and that he would oppose SB2.

A vote was taken to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 a.m. and carried.

Given under my hand and seal, this 12th day of March in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eleven.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Waldron
Strafford Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR 2011

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Tax Collector for the past fifteen years, can you believe it? As Tax Collector, I am responsible for collecting revenue from Property Taxes, Yield Taxes and Current Use Change Taxes, as well as respond to inquiries from homeowners, mortgage companies, attorney's offices and the general public. My goal is to keep records current and accurate in a courteous, timely manner. All of which is becoming more time consuming as our town continues to grow.

There is a question and answer section for tax related questions on the Town website www.trafford.nh.gov. You may also make tax payments on this website as promised, with your Credit or Debit Card or an ACH check (that comes directly out of your checking account). Beware of the convenience fee that goes with the on-line payments (credit and debit card payments have a much larger convenience fee than ACH payments). As always, you may also pay through the mail or in person.

In 2003 the Department of Revenue Administration started a "Low and Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief" program. Forms (DP-8) may be picked up at my office or downloaded from www.revenue.nh.gov after April 15th. These must be mailed to the State no sooner than May 1 and no later than June 30. My office is open during that time period for assistance.

Forms for "Servicemembers Civil Relief Act," formerly know as: "The Soldiers' & Sailors' Civil Relief Act" are available on-line at; www.usmilitary.about.com/od/sscra/l/blscramenu.htm if anyone is in need of them. If the taxpayer received activation orders which stipulate Title 10, you will be interested in this web-site.

Strafford's School Budget for 2011 is \$11,211,658.00 (Gross Approp.-Revenue). The State Property Tax is \$1,093,069.00. We will receive an Adequate Education Grant for \$2,279,185.00. This leaves \$7,018,161.00 to be raised by our Local School Tax. That sets the 2011 School Tax Rate Portion at \$15.53 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

Strafford's Gross Appropriations are \$2,329,665.00, less Revenues of \$1,412,100.00, less Shared Revenues of \$0.00, added Overlay of \$47,083.00, and War Service Credits of \$43,500.00, making a Net Appropriation of \$1,008,148.00. That sets the Town Tax Rate Portion at \$2.23 per \$1,000.

The total Property Tax Warrants this year were \$10,191,281.00. The "Current Use Change Tax" Warrants for the year were: \$15,000. All of this money was turned over to the "Conservation Commission of Strafford". The total Timber or Yield Tax Warrants were \$13,129.14

Strafford's 2011 Town Tax rate is \$2.23, and County Tax is \$2.60, School Tax is \$15.53, State School Portion is \$2.44. Our Total Tax Rate for the year 2011 is **\$22.80**.

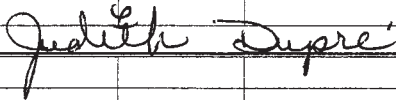
Our 2011 lien was \$263,875.33. This is a \$24,793.38 (or 9%) increase over last year.

Deputy Martha English has been a tremendous asset to this office. Many thanks for all you do, Martha.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith Dupre'
Tax Collector

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MS-61	TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT					
For the Municipality of Strafford		Year Ending		12/31/2011		
CREDITS						
REMITTED TO TREASURER		Levy for Year		PRIOR LEVIES		
				(Please Specify Years)		
		2011	2010	2009	Prior Years	
Property Tax		\$9,562,607.99	\$447,688.67	\$72,710.26	\$23,042.14	
Resident Taxes		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Land Use Charge		\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Yield Taxes		\$11,883.38	\$746.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Interest (include lien conversion)		\$7,558.09	\$32,807.27	\$28,506.18	\$16,103.34	
Penalties		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Utility Charges		\$204.50	\$787.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		\$3,000.50	\$244,514.83	\$0.00	\$0.00	
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED						
ABATEMENTS MADE						
Property Taxes		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Resident Taxes		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Land use Charge		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Yield Taxes		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Excavation tax @ \$.02/yd		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Utility Charges		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED						
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		END OF YEAR #1080				
Property Taxes		\$717,219.77	\$0.00	\$34,782.74	\$21,732.97	
Resident Taxes		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Land Use Charge		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Yield Taxes		\$1,245.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Utility Charge		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Property Tax Credit Balance**		<	>	-\$1,723.99		
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**		<	>	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
TOTAL CREDITS		\$10,318,719.99	\$724,820.58	\$135,999.18	\$60,878.45	
*Enter as a negative. This is the amount pre-paid for next year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a						
(Be sure to include a positive amount in the appropriate taxes or charges actually remitted to the treasurer).						
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MS-61	TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT					
	For the Municipality of Strafford			Year Ending		12/31/2011
DEBITS						
Last Year's Levy				PRIOR LEVIES (Please Specify Years)		
		2010	2009	2008	Prior Years	
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. Of Year.		\$0.00	\$108,049.50	\$22,627.07	\$22,302.54	
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year		\$263,875.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Interest & Cost Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)		\$6,892.88	\$27,949.68	\$9,704.94	\$6,243.90	
TOTAL DEBITS		\$270,768.21	\$135,999.18	\$32,332.01	\$28,546.44	
CREDITS						
REMITTED TO TREASURER		Last Year's Levy			PRIOR LEVIES (Please Specify Years)	
		2010	2009	2008	2006-2007	
Redemptions		\$77,207.26	\$72,710.26	\$14,014.46	\$9,027.68	
Interest & Cost Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	\$5,665.38	\$28,506.18	\$9,817.44	\$6,285.90	
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Unredeemed Liens Balance	#1110	\$187,895.57	\$34,782.74	\$8,500.11	\$13,232.86	
End of Year						
TOTAL CREDITS		\$270,768.21	\$135,999.18	\$32,332.01	\$28,546.44	
Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a)?				Yes		
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.						
TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE				DATE		
				2-1-2012		
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STRAFFORD FIRE AND RESCUE

Strafford Fire & Rescue had a pretty average year for 2011 with the exception of tropical storm Irene that took place in August. Calls for the year were 304, which were down from 2010's total of 337. Of the 304 calls 175 were medical, 106 were fire, 18 were motor vehicle accidents, and 5 were service calls.

There were a couple overruns by line in the 2011 budget. Those were heat & electric, truck maintenance, and fuel. With truck maintenance being the largest, there were recommendations from the Town's insurance company to improve on scene lighting and general truck lighting since the accident in August. Using spare money from other lines we were able to start this process with those funds and avoid increasing the budget this year. Two of the Town's three engines are in process of being completed. Heat/electric and fuel are always a challenge; however we are installing new energy efficient LED lighting outside the stations for nighttime and separate work lighting will be used on an as needed basis. Also, we are making adjustments to what equipment is needed for certain call types.

For 2012 we kept the budget level with 2011 and again adjusted line amounts to hopefully be more in line with expenditures. Warrant Article 8, deals with the 1st payment of the new ambulance voted at Town Meeting 2011. There will be one more payment next year and the Town will own the ambulance outright. The department took delivery of the new ambulance in early December and has put it to good use since.

Warrant Article 9 is requesting funding for some capital improvements to the 3 stations. First, we are asking to install stand-by generators at all 3 stations and new energy efficient lighting inside. Also we would like to repair & resurface the existing parking area at the Bow Lake Fire Station. Currently in winter the area in front of the doors heaves up causing issues with pulling in and out of the station as well as creating ice and water inside the building. Based on estimates given for both projects I am asking for a total of \$50,000 (allowing a buffer for any cost increases on both projects and unforeseen issues). Only \$36,102 will be raised from taxation. The rest will be raised by using and closing a building maintenance fund created in 2009.

The members of the Strafford Fire & Rescue thank you for your continued support in 2011 and look forward to serving the community in 2012.

Respectfully,

Chief Paul Stover

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STRAFFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT

This past year we experienced a significant increase in calls for crimes against property. We investigated several thefts from automobiles and both home and business burglaries. This appears to be a trend as all of our neighboring communities, and throughout the State has seen a sharp increase in these crimes. Please make sure you lock your vehicles at night, and don't leave anything in the vehicle of value. Also, make sure you lock your homes when you leave during the day, as this is when the major majority of the burglaries take place. We have made some progress in a few of these cases with making arrests and recovering property.

As always, we look forward to serving you in the new year. If ever you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at any time.

Police Department Statistics

	2009	2010	2011
Accidents.....	84	85	67
911 calls.....	37	42	26
MV summons.....	160	100	115
MV warnings.....	676	771	530
Arrests.....	148	103	91
Mutual Aid/Fire/Med.....	176	202	195
Incidents.....	551	402	457
Alarms.....	107	98	112
Crimes Against Property.....	123	110	157
Miscellaneous calls for service.....	1142	1334	1300
TOTALS	3204	3247	3050

Revenues (2010)

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POLICE SPECIAL DETAIL
(02) FUND

Balance from 2010	\$15,640.50
2011 Deposits	\$63,909.22
2011 Interest	\$23.83
2011 Withdrawals	\$39,620.42
Balance 12/31/11	\$39,953.13

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
ANNUAL REPORT

In August 2011, the Emergency Operation Center opened for Hurricane Irene. While there was little damage to the Town overall, the Fire Department, Road Agent and Police Department worked together to open roads after trees were knocked down. Some parts of town were without power for several days. There were no requests for people looking for emergency shelter.

The Emergency Management Department is adding new equipment each year to make sure that we will be ready in any natural or manmade disaster.

Once again, on behalf of the Fire Department, Police Department and Road Agent, we all want to thank you for your support.

Respectfully,

Scott Young

Emergency Management Director

Road Agents Report 2011

The year 2011 came in with a snowstorm, which lasted through February into March. Regular maintenance continued through the summer months. Many roads had work done cleaning the ditches and replacing rusted culverts. Most roads had grading and mowing. Calcium chloride was spread on heavily traveled dirt roads. A section of Whig Hill, all of Pinewood Drive, and section of Wingate Road and Huckins Road were paved with Capital Improvement Appropriation Money. Some reflective signs have been purchased and mounted as required.

Greg Messenger
Road Agent

ROAD MAINTENANCE AND GENERAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES – 2011

Administration Salary	\$ 3,653.89
W. Angelini, LLC	\$ 5,952.00
Arborcare Tree Service	\$ 1,725.00
Scott Barry Trucking	\$ 1,040.00
JNL Excavation, LLC	\$ 935.00
Metrocast Cablevision	\$ 106.95
Parker Mountain Excavating	\$ 877.50
R.W. Tasker & Son	\$ 28,766.00
Radford Messenger, Inc.	<u>\$ 240,305.00</u>

Sub Total.....\$ 283,361.34

GENERAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES

Equipment/Maintenance	\$ 6,779.23
Gravel	\$ 17,859.58
Sand	\$ 3,450.14
Salt	\$ 51,721.94
Cold Patch	\$ 403.24
Paving Asphalt	\$ 2,956.00
Culverts	\$ 5,129.40
Street Signs/Posts	\$ 2,567.94
Supplies	\$ 4,431.55
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 300.00</u>

Sub Total.....\$ 95,599.02

TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....\$ 378,960.36

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING REGULATONS

87R4. WINTER PARKING--Pursuant to RSA 265: 70, the following parking regulation will be established:

a. There will be no parking on all town roads so as to impede snow removal.

Any violations of the above will be subject to a fine of \$ 5.00 per violation and subject to towing, pursuant to RSA 265: 69 and RSA 265: 70.

87R5. SNOW OBSTRUCTION--Pursuant to RSA 249: 23, the following snow obstruction regulations will be established:

a. Any person who shall put or place or cause to be put or placed any snow or ice upon the surface of the traveled portion of any town maintained road for any purpose, except to provide a place necessary for crossing, recrossing, and traveling upon said roads by sleds, logging or farm equipment shall be guilty of a violation if a natural person or guilty of a misdemeanor if any other person. The provisions of this section shall not apply where snow or ice is pushed across the traveled surface of said road for the purpose of snow removal from land adjoining said roads.

Any violation of the above will be subjected to a fine up to \$ 100.00, pursuant to RSA 249: 23.

Report of the Strafford Building Department for the Year 2011

The Strafford Building Department is staffed by David Copeland and Drew Carter with regular office hours every Tuesday evening from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. We are also available outside these hours via cell phones and email. 2011 was again a fairly busy year with the completion of the Strafford School Renovation and the number of new permits.

In 2011 we attempted to make permit applications available for downloading, but I.T. is clearly not our strong suit. We will continue to endeavor to make all the Building Department information, packets and applications computer friendly.

This year there was again a boom in the permitting of stand-by generators, and again we would like to stress the importance of hiring reputable installers and having the units inspected. Improper installation of units has been discovered throughout the Town.

Photovoltaic and hot water solar systems have increased in popularity. Again, these systems require permits to assure appropriate installations by electricians and/or plumbers.

We encourage anyone seeking to build, remodel, or renovate to contact our office so we can assist in assuring your project is completed in compliance with all codes. This is for your safety as well as the safety of the general public and to assure your project meets the minimum code standards as defined by the State.

Permits issued in 2011 included:

Month	New / Repl. Home	Reno- vation	Addi- tion	Barn/ Garage	Shed/ Deck/ Pool	Septic	Demo	Mech/ Elect/ Plumb	Re- newal	Com- mer- cial
Jan	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Feb	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0
Mar	2	1	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	0
April	1	4	2	1	1	1	0	7	0	0
May	1	1	0	1	3	3	1	4	1	0
June	1	0	3	1	2	2	0	2	1	0
July	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	4	1	0
Aug	1	0	1	2	0	3	0	3	0	0
Sept	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	2	0	0
Oct	1	3	0	0	0	3	0	6	1	0
Nov	1	1	0	3	2	2	1	9	0	0
Dec	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0
TOT:	11	18	9	10	10	22	3	50	4	0

A total of 137 permits were issued or renewed in 2011, 13 fewer than 2010.

M, E & P permits include generator & solar permits

Renewals represent an effort to improve tracking and are only available if work is started within one year.

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

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DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	%	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAW ALS	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME PERCENT T	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPENSE DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
3/10/1998	FOREST FIRE FUND #0005	CONTINGEN	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$ 5,827.08				\$ 5,827.08	\$ 991.81		\$ 4.15		\$ 995.96	\$ 5,831.23
12/31/1980	SCHOOL I&B #0007	PEPLACE	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$359,907.51	\$25,000.00			\$ 384,907.51	\$ 39,881.20		\$ 263.86		\$ 40,145.06	\$385,171.37
01/01/1899	CEMETARY PERPETUAL CARE #8	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$40,784.27				\$ 40,784.27	\$ 26,569.27		\$ 29.54		\$ 26,598.81	\$40,813.81
3/8/1984	RECREATION LAND #0009	BUILD	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$12,311.48				\$ 12,311.48	\$ 7,311.48		\$ 8.86		\$ 7,320.34	\$12,320.34
3/10/1980	THEODORE STORER TRUST FUND #11	CONSERV	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$34,615.24			(\$270.00)	\$ 34,345.24	\$ 23,115.24		\$ 25.12		\$ 23,140.36	\$34,370.36
4/26/1988	CONSERVATION #0012	PURCHASE	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$1,904.79				\$ 1,904.79	\$ 904.79		\$ 1.20		\$ 905.99	\$1,905.99
3/14/2000	RECORDS STORAGE FACILITY #0014	PURCHASE	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$11,737.77				\$ 11,737.77	\$ 1,737.77		\$ 8.44		\$ 1,745.88	\$11,746.21
1/5/2005	BRIDGE C AND R #0015	CONTINGEN	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$2,494.83	\$ 40,000.00			\$ 42,494.83	\$ 2,494.83		\$ 6.48		\$ 2,501.31	\$42,501.31
1/5/2005	OFFICE EQUIPMENT FUND #0016	PURCHASE	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$2,356.22				\$ 2,356.22	\$ 2,356.22		\$ 1.57		\$ 2,357.79	\$2,357.79
7/18/2005	SPECIAL ED GROWTH FUND#0017	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$26,823.31			(\$489.00)	\$ 26,334.31	\$ 179.43		\$ 19.45		\$ 198.88	\$26,353.76
9/27/2005	MUNICIPAL BUILDING FUND #0018	BUILD	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$1,485.58				\$ 1,485.58	\$ 8.00		\$ 0.83		\$ 8.83	\$1,486.41
9/27/2005	FIRE ENGINE FUND #0019	PURCHASE	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$5,988.59				\$ 5,988.59	\$ 5,988.59		\$ 4.30		\$ 5,992.89	\$5,992.89
8/31/2007	TOWN DOCK ACCOUNT #21	MAINTAINENCE	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$16,398.76				\$ 16,398.76	\$ 938.26		\$ 11.53		\$ 949.79	\$16,410.29
10/8/2008	POLICE VEHICLE FUND #22	NEW VEHICLE	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$21.47				\$ 21.47	\$ 21.47		\$ 3.55		\$ 25.02	\$21.47
7/27/2009	TOWN DOCK-REPAIRS #23	REPAIRS	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$4,787.14				\$ 4,787.14	\$ 151.81		\$ 9.94		\$ 161.75	\$4,790.69
7/26/2010	FIRE DEPARTMENT REPAIRS #26	REPAIRS	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$13,888.66				\$ 13,888.66	\$ 59.66		\$ 21.52		\$ 81.18	\$13,898.60
12/22/2010	EDUCATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES #27	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$25,019.44	\$25,000.00		(\$25,000.00)	\$ 50,019.44	\$ 19.44		\$ 21.54		\$ 40.98	\$50,040.98
12/22/2010	FUTURE RE-EVALUATION	CONTINGENCY	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$25,000.98				\$ 0.98						\$16.46
9/1/2011	REFLECTIVE ROAD SNAKE ACCOUNT #27	CONTINGENCY	NHPDIP	100.00%		\$4,000.00			\$ 4,000.00			\$ 0.38		\$ 0.38	\$4,000.38
9/1/2011	POLICE VEHICLE FUND NUMBER TWO #28	NEW VEHICLE	NHPDIP	100.00%		\$12,000.00			\$ 12,000.00			\$ 1.45		\$ 1.45	\$12,001.45
9/1/2011	MUNICIPAL OIL AND FUEL #29	MAINTAINCE	NHPDIP	100.00%		\$10,000.00			\$ 10,000.00			\$ 1.14		\$ 1.14	\$10,001.14
TOTAL TRUST AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS					\$ 591,353.12	\$116,000.00		\$ (25,759.00)	\$ 681,594.12	\$ 112,730.25		\$ 438.79		\$ 113,169.04	\$682,032.91

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

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DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAW ALS	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME PERCENT T	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPENSE ED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
COMMON TRUST FUND														
6/6/1925	BABB, JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 466.04	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 466.24	\$ 566.24
5/16/1995	BROWN, ALBERT (HALL)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.34%	\$ 50.00			\$ 50.00	\$ 65.53	0.34%	\$ 0.10		\$ 65.63	\$ 115.63
12/31/1972	BROWN, ALBERT (CRITC)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.34%	\$ 50.00			\$ 50.00	\$ 79.47	0.34%	\$ 0.10		\$ 79.57	\$ 129.47
12/10/1939	CASWELL-DEARBORN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	2.72%	\$ 400.00			\$ 400.00	\$ 212.08	2.72%	\$ 0.80		\$ 212.88	\$ 612.88
4/21/1927	CAVERLY, ABBIE	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 575.85	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 576.08	\$ 676.05
6/3/1972	CAVERLY, REV. JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	4.52%	\$ 665.00			\$ 665.00	\$ 414.64	4.52%	\$ 1.34		\$ 415.98	\$ 1,080.98
9/2/1927	CLARK, JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 747.90	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 748.10	\$ 848.10
9/3/1971	COOPER, LILLIAN FOSS	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 535.79	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 536.19	\$ 736.19
5/16/1995	FOSS, BENJAMIN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	2.72%	\$ 400.00			\$ 400.00	\$ 429.80	2.72%	\$ 0.80		\$ 430.60	\$ 830.60
9/2/1933	FOSS, HERBERT	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 757.00	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 757.40	\$ 957.40
9/10/1930	FOSS, ROBERT	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 757.80	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 758.00	\$ 858.00
5/16/1995	FOYE-PERKINS	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	2.72%	\$ 400.00			\$ 400.00	\$ 443.76	2.72%	\$ 0.80		\$ 444.56	\$ 844.56
3/4/1996	FOYE (WINGATE FARM)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	2.72%	\$ 400.00			\$ 400.00	\$ 308.84	2.72%	\$ 0.80		\$ 309.64	\$ 709.64
6/2/1926	GARFIELD, ELIZA	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.02%	\$ 150.00			\$ 150.00	\$ 831.76	1.02%	\$ 0.30		\$ 832.06	\$ 982.06
5/5/1950	HAM, LLEWELYN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 742.62	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 743.02	\$ 943.02
8/26/2000	HANSON #1	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	2.04%	\$ 300.00			\$ 300.00	\$ 162.01	2.04%	\$ 0.60		\$ 162.61	\$ 362.61
9/6/1950	HARTWELL, ELIZABETH	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 505.74	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 505.94	\$ 605.94
10/2/1921	HAWKINS, BETSEY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 8.13	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 8.33	\$ 108.33
6/6/1925	HAYES, PAUL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.34%	\$ 50.00			\$ 50.00	\$ 115.82	0.34%	\$ 0.10		\$ 115.92	\$ 165.92
8/4/1934	HOLMES, ELLA	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 152.69	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 152.89	\$ 252.89
5/16/1995	HOSEA BERRY CEM.	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	4.08%	\$ 600.00			\$ 600.00	\$ 664.61	4.08%	\$ 1.21		\$ 665.82	\$ 1,265.82
5/16/1995	HOWARD CEM	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	5.44%	\$ 800.00			\$ 800.00	\$ 909.98	5.44%	\$ 1.61		\$ 911.59	\$ 1,711.59
12/23/1928	JENNESS, JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 519.59	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 519.99	\$ 719.99
1/31/1921	JENNESS, SAMUEL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 822.96	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 823.36	\$ 1,023.36
10/25/1930	JENNESS, SAMUEL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 472.07	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 472.47	\$ 672.47
4/12/1927	JEWELL, JOHN W.	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 475.31	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 475.51	\$ 575.51
7/25/1999	KERIVAN (BUZZELL CEM)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	2.04%	\$ 400.00			\$ 400.00	\$ 113.49	2.04%	\$ 0.60		\$ 114.09	\$ 514.09
8/11/1959	LEIGHTON, WINKLEY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.70%	\$ 250.00			\$ 250.00	\$ 980.24	1.70%	\$ 0.50		\$ 980.74	\$ 1,230.74
5/16/1995	LOUGEE (EDGERLY RD)	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	2.72%	\$ 400.00			\$ 400.00	\$ 416.36	2.72%	\$ 0.80		\$ 417.16	\$ 817.16
3/4/1996	OTIS DREW	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	6.79%	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,035.85	6.79%	\$ 2.01		\$ 1,037.86	\$ 2,037.86
6/2/1921	PERKINS, NANCY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 568.30	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 568.50	\$ 668.50
9/9/1957	PERKINS, PAUL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.19%	\$ 175.00			\$ 175.00	\$ 896.97	1.19%	\$ 0.35		\$ 897.32	\$ 1,072.32
1/9/1991	SAXTON, HELEN FOSS	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	6.79%	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,235.58	6.79%	\$ 2.01		\$ 1,237.59	\$ 2,237.59
11/16/1998	SCRUTON	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	3.40%	\$ 500.00			\$ 500.00	\$ 333.96	3.40%	\$ 1.00		\$ 334.96	\$ 834.96
1/7/1922	SEAVEY, ABBIE	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 8.13	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 8.33	\$ 108.33
10/1/1989	SLOPER ROAD	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.34%	\$ 50.00			\$ 50.00	\$ 44.47	0.34%	\$ 0.10		\$ 44.57	\$ 94.57
4/2/1927	SMITH, D. W.	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 8.13	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 8.23	\$ 108.33
8/12/1944	STANTON, FRED	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 71.17	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 71.57	\$ 271.57
9/5/1972	SWAN, ANNIE & GRAY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 605.78	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 606.18	\$ 806.18
3/4/1996	TOBIAS DREW CEM	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	6.79%	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,029.34	6.79%	\$ 2.01		\$ 1,031.35	\$ 2,031.35
9/5/1972	WAIN, MARY J.	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	2.72%	\$ 400.00			\$ 400.00	\$ 375.25	2.72%	\$ 0.80		\$ 376.05	\$ 776.05
10/22/1950	WALDRON, JOHN	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 494.58	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 494.78	\$ 594.78
5/11/1955	WALDRON, CASWELL	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 259.88	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 260.08	\$ 360.08
12/10/1937	WALKER, JAMES	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	0.68%	\$ 100.00			\$ 100.00	\$ 8.13	0.68%	\$ 0.20		\$ 8.23	\$ 108.33
6/2/1928	WATERHOUSE, ELLA	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 29.32	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 29.72	\$ 229.72
3/10/1966	WEBSTER, TUTTLE	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	2.55%	\$ 375.00			\$ 375.00	\$ 758.18	2.55%	\$ 0.75		\$ 758.93	\$ 1,133.93
6/13/1919	WELCH , BETSEY	PERP. CARE	NHPDIP	1.36%	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00	\$ 688.65	1.36%	\$ 0.40		\$ 689.05	\$ 889.05
	Subtotals		NHPDIP		\$ 13,215.00			\$ 13,215.00	\$ 22,139.55		\$ 26.29		\$ 22,165.84	\$ 35,380.84
01/01/1899	YOUNG,LAVINIA	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	7.16%	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 1,000.00	\$ 4,429.72		\$ 3.25		\$ 4,432.97	\$ 54,329.70
01/01/1899	CEMETARY PERPETUAL CARE #8	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$ 14,215.00			\$ 14,215.00	\$ 26,569.27		\$ 29.54		\$ 26,598.81	\$ 40,813.81
3/10/1980	THEODORE STORER TRUST FUND #11	CONSERV	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$ 11,500.00		(270.00)	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 23,115.24		\$ 25.12	(270.00)	\$ 22,870.36	\$ 34,370.36
7/18/2005	SPECIAL ED GROWTH FUND#0017	EDUCATION	NHPDIP	100.00%	\$ 26,823.31		(\$489.00)	\$ 26,334.31	\$ 179.43		\$ 19.45		\$198.88	\$ 26,353.76
7/26/2010	EDUCATION OF PERSONS W/DISABILITIES #27	EDUCATION		100.00%	\$ 25,019.44	\$ 25,000.00		\$ 50,019.44	\$ 19.44		\$ 21.54		\$40.98	\$ 50,040.98
12/31/2005	COMMON TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS Perpetual Care Checking Account	PERP CARE												\$ 151,578.91 561.81

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT REPORT 2011

In 2011 approximately 500 properties were visited as part of the ongoing database maintenance program. The primary buildings were measured, exterior photos were taken, and the interior information was verified wherever possible. Additionally, properties with building permits issued since April 1, 2010, as well as any properties unfinished as of March 31, 2011 were visited; the improvements were assessed and included in the 2011 property values.

Data Verification of all properties will continue this year; we expect to visit another 500 properties. Our goal is to verify the physical data to ensure the assessments are accurate. If no one is at home, we will take the opportunity to verify the exterior measurement of all primary improvements (buildings etc.). It is of the utmost importance to have accurate data to ensure all property owners in Strafford are assessed equitably.

If an adult is home at the time of the visit, the representative from the Assessor's Office will ask to verify the interior information via tour provided by the adult. At no time will a representative enter a property where a minor is the only person home. In the event a property is posted "No Trespassing", the representative will knock on the door to seek permission to verify the physical data. In the event no one is home, there will be no attempt to verify the exterior data. The Assessing Official will make another attempt at a later date. If the property is "Posted" and gated the Assessor's Office will not enter the premises. However, there will be a letter sent to the owner requesting an appointment to verify the physical data. We want to thank the property owners who allow us access to their properties. When the property owner doesn't respond to our request, we are obliged to estimate the data.

Strafford was required to "value a new" as stated in the N.H. Constitution and NH RSA 75:8a in 2011. This means that all properties in Strafford were valued anew as of April 1, 2011, bringing them more in line with market value. Preliminary values were made available in early August, and appointments to discuss specific properties were scheduled for early September. Final values were available at the end of October and were reflected in the December tax bill. Through this process, I have enjoyed meeting and talking with many of Strafford's property owners. Their input has been valuable as I strive to maintain equity among taxpayers.

I would like to thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,
Todd Haywood, CNHA
Strafford Assessing Agent

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT 2011

The Board of Adjustment held seven regular meetings for the consideration of applications requesting variances or special exceptions to the Zoning and Land Use Ordinances or Building Regulations of the Town. The number of times the Board meets during a year is based on the number of applications received.

Richard A. Ferreira II, Chairman

Receipts 2011

Application Fees & Misc.....	\$ 1,700.00
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Total.....	\$ 1,700.00

Expenditures 2011

Postage.....	\$ 107.09
Foster's Daily Democrat (Public Notices).....	\$ 563.50
Secretarial.....	\$ 506.54
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Total.....	\$ 1,177.13

PLANNING BOARD REPORT 2011

This year the Planning Board enjoyed a quiet spring and early summer. We reviewed only a handful of family projects during that time. By the end of the year the Board found itself very busy with a lengthy agenda for each meeting. Although the real estate market remains slow, we are beginning to see a few local development projects get underway. We would encourage anyone who is thinking about developing their property, whether creating one or two lots for their children or something on a larger scale, to come meet with the Board early in the process. We encourage landowners to consider using the Conservation Development Ordinance approved last year as a tool for planning that will help our community to balance growth and protection of natural resources.

The Planning Board has also been working with the Selectmen to draft regulations to help preserve dark night skies in our community and to address the growing problem of signs along our roads. Voters at the 2011 Town Meeting requested that these issues be addressed. We are proposing two items on the ballot for this year; the first is the revamping of our existing zoning ordinance regarding signs and the second is a new outdoor lighting ordinance. We hope you will support these initiatives designed to maintain the scenic rural nature of our community. We also continue to work with the Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership on stormwater and erosion control regulations for new subdivision or commercial projects. Improved stormwater management techniques will help us maintain the high water quality of our lakes, ponds, and rivers.

Please note: In 2010 the legislature acted to address a number of questions resulting from the involuntary merger of lots prior to September 18, 2010. Although not a frequent practice in our community, please be advised that in accordance with NH RSA 674:39-aa, any owner of lots merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes prior to September 18, 2010 and without the consent of the owner may request that the lots be restored to their premerger status. Requests would need to be filed no later than December 31, 2016. If you have any questions regarding lot mergers, please contact the Planning and Zoning Office for

Finally, 2012 marks an important transition for our Board. Beginning this year, Planning Board members will be elected rather than appointed. The public is always welcome, and we urge you to attend meetings and learn how you can become involved. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers who have served the Board for so many years, and thank all of our current Board members for the many hours of volunteer time that they give to our community each month.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles A. Moreno, Chairman

Receipts 2011

Application Fees	\$ 7,422.10
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Total.....	\$ 7,422.10
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Expenditures 2011

Postage	\$ 951.18
Advertising (Foster's Daily Democrat)	\$ 305.90
Supplies	\$ 48.67
Printing	\$ 61.06
Secretarial	\$ 3,694.89

Total.....	\$ 5,061.70
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HILL LIBRARY

Annual Report from 2011

www.straflib.org
straflib.@metrocast.net
603-664-2800

Library Hours

Monday: 2:00pm to 6:00pm
Tuesday: 12:00pm to 8:00pm
Wednesday: 2:00pm to 8:00pm
Thursday: 2:00pm to 8:00pm
Saturday: 10:00am to 2:00pm

HOLDINGS

Books in the library collection as of Jan.1, 2011.....	16,143
Books lost, damaged or deleted in 2011.....	151
Books added in 2011.....	450
Books in the library as of December 31, 2011.....	16,442
Videos/audios owned as of Jan.1 2011.....	1,066
Videos/audios lost, damaged or deleted in 2011.....	127
Videos/audios added in 2011.....	939
Videos/audios owned as of December 31, 2011.....	1,717
Magazine subscriptions purchased or donated in 2011.....	26

CIRCULATION

Total patron attendance.....	9,251
Adult fiction.....	2,440
Adult non fiction.....	1,027
Children's fiction....	3,291
Children's non-fiction.....	566
Magazines.....	345
Audio CDs and tapes.....	675
DVDs and Videos.....	2,575
Interlibrary loans.....	135
Audio and E-books downloaded by patrons.....	1,624
Total materials circulated.....	12,678

Strafford residents continue to rely on the library as a place from which to search for scholarships, apply for benefits, and apply for employment by using fax, photocopier, and computer assets. Others come for video, audio and printed resources. Story times, poetry evenings, art exhibits and educational programs attract many library users.

Substitution of the present database software with Library World will result in annual cost savings and a more useable system. Our library is arguably the best valued town program in terms of benefits per dollar spent.

HILL LIBRARY

Treasurer's Report 2011

Beginning balance January 1, 2011		42,327.24
Income		
Town appropriation	27,900.00	
Salaries	39,352.67	
Total income		67,252.67
Expenses		
Adult books	2,447.56	
AV media	633.84	
Book binding	363.58	
Children's books	2,432.83	
Magazines	312.86	
Professional	101.99	
Reference books	97.53	
Computer	1,152.53	
Copier	105.00	
Coupon credit	-46.80	
Custodial services	1,600.00	
Janitorial supplies	182.86	
Fuel consortium	50.00	
Insurance	1,500.00	
Maintenance & repairs	1,283.91	
Miscellaneous	19.97	
Office equipment & supplies	260.22	
Online Web service	395.00	
P.O. Box & postage	197.53	
Professional associations	380.00	
Program expenses: Movie license	295.00	
Museum pass	250.00	
NH Downloadable Books fee	875.00	
Program expenses	523.90	
Promotional materials	50.99	
Processing supplies	1,055.76	
Salaries: Director	17,351.16	
Assistant director	10,252.00	
Librarian 1	6,005.08	
Librarian 2	5,464.14	
Utilities: Electricity	1,118.53	
Heat	2,769.71	
Telephone	756.07	
Water system	348.77	
Total expenses		\$62,503.74
Balance in checkbook December 31, 2010		47,744.51
Petty cash		20.00
Cash on hand December 31, 2011		47,764.51

HILL LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT 2011

A good library is much more than books.

In any given month, nearly half of the activities listed in the Town Community Calendar happen at the Hill Library which offers a variety of library-generated programs free to the public and also offers free space to community groups.

In keeping with the mission “to grow and develop with the community to meet the people’s cultural, educational, recreational, and informational needs” the library not only increases the tangible collection of books, audio books, and DVD’s, but also has expanded into the online world by:

- Continually training of staff to be a technological resource for patrons
- Offering courses on computer and internet use free to the community
- Putting the collection online with more features to be added in 2012
- Increasing patron use of downloadable audio and electronic books

Our local library connects patrons to collections of every state public and academic library through interlibrary loan. Can’t find the book, audiobook, DVD, or CD here? Email, call, or stop in with your request and if it is in New Hampshire, it will be here within days.

Ongoing and special events this year included:

- Twice monthly Story Time and Reading Program for the Summer
- Poetry, Game, and Movie Nights
- Sew & Chat and Book Club Meetings
- McAuliffe-Shepherd, Currier, and Children’s Museum Passes
- Community Garden
- CPR Training, Barry Nation Photography Class, Yvonne Berry’s Facebook Workshop, Airplane Modeling Workshops
- Annual Photography Contest
- Easter Egg Hunt, Caleb Chamberlain’s Magic Show, Farmyard Friends 4H Club “Peter and the Wolf” Presentation
- Eyes on Owls, Rebecca Rule’s Presentation (SLA Sponsored)
- Old Time Radio Show by Thomas Edmonds of Strafford
- Support and resources for school projects including "bug experts"

As always, we would find it difficult and costly to run the library without the many hours of volunteer work and generous donations. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

Indra Edmonds, Carol Cooper, Anne Smith, Trustees, Pam Marks, Martha English,
Nancy Baxter Alternate Trustees

TRUSTEES OF HILL LIBRARY
Treasurer's Report 2011

Beginning balance January 1, 2011		\$6,026.28
Income:		
Book fines	566.80	
Book sales	396.85	
Donation	265.00	
Refund	7.00	
Total income for 2011		\$1305.85
Expenditures:		
Adult books	261.23	
AV media	90.23	
Children's books	155.79	
Professional	16.00	
Miscellaneous	417.00	
Museum Pass	300.00	
Program expenses	319.89	
Total expenses for 2011		\$1,260.14
Balance in Checkbook December 31, 2011		\$6,071.99

Balance in Money Market account January 1, 2011	\$11,141.06
Interest as of December 31, 2011	27.72
Balance in Money market account December 31, 2011	\$11,168.78

Strafford Conservation Commission Annual Report

The members of the Conservation Commission are increasingly busy managing our extensive network of town conservation land, which has grown to more than 1500 acres with several key grant-supported conservation projects completed in the last few years. There are three large blocks of conservation land: the 600-acre Town Forest off Parker Mountain Road, the 400 acre network of several properties that comprises the Isinglass River Conservation Reserve (IRCR), and new in 2012, approximately 500 acres of the Evans Mountain property. Stewardship of these valuable areas is a big job requiring the help of far more than just the seven members of the Conservation Commission. Fortunately many volunteers stepped up to help in 2011. We would like to recognize some of these volunteer projects.

First, as many who hike the Town Forest's high Spencer Smith trail know, the trail has been badly eroded. Freshman Matthew Dustin presented the Conservation Commission with his ambitious plan to restore this trail as his Eagle Scout project. This past fall he organized a large work party that began the work and he also sponsored a spaghetti dinner to earn the funds for a trailhead kiosk. Matt has envisioned a volunteer plan for maintenance of the trail once his work is finished. He hopes that individuals or families who enjoy hiking will volunteer to "adopt a waterbar" to keep it unclogged and thereby prevent the erosion that damages the trail. If you and your family would like to become one of these trail maintainers, please call Liz Evans at the Town Hall.

Beginning this past summer, a large volunteer crew worked to open trails on the IRCR properties. The Conservation Commission was able to link the two large parcels of the IRCR by the purchase of two smaller properties that had been conserved through the federal Wetland Reserve Program. Nearly two miles of Isinglass River shoreline are now protected and a long trail network is now possible. The Conservation Commission received a grant from the New Hampshire Recreational Trails Program for trail construction, but we depend on volunteer work to provide the required match for the grant. Nearly a dozen volunteers followed Phil Auger, the head of our Trail Committee, into the woods on numbers of trips to clear pathways, and, in the late fall, complete four bridges over wetlands. The grant included construction of the new parking area, completed by Steve Leighton, who also donated the gravel for the project. The Trails Committee is also working with JB Cullen and Bob Edmonds on the construction of trails in the Isinglass Discovery Community. These trails allow access to key historic points along the river. We also continue to benefit from the volunteer efforts of the Strafford snowmobile club, who have installed gates and work with us to keep mutual trails in good shape. There is still more work to be done and the Trail Committee invites others to join them this spring and summer. The Conservation Commission looks forward to at last installing the IRCR trailhead kiosk that Eagle Scout Tyler Martel constructed for us two years ago.

We knew at the end of 2010 that the nearly 1000-acre Evans Mountain conservation project was secured through local fundraising and through large grants obtained by Bear-Paw Regional Greenways from LCHIP and the Department of Environmental Services. Throughout 2011 the three partners, Bear-Paw, the Conservation Commission and the Blue Hills Foundation worked to complete the details of the project. By the end of the year the surveys of the wetlands and plant communities had been completed and the details of the conservation easements were written. The conservation easements will cover both the half of the property owned by the Town and the half owned by Blue Hills and will ensure protection of wildlife habitat and water resources, and guarantee public access including hunting on both portions. Blue Hills and the Town will work together and allow mutual access for trail work. Conservation Commission members and additional volunteers worked with Bear-Paw to plan the Evans Mountain Celebration in October. Nearly 100 people enjoyed the trolley ride from Mel Liston's field up to the mountain top where they feasted on Northwood Crankpullers' pulled pork and fries, Carolyn Page's vegetarian chili, Strafford-made coleslaw, and Sheila Rainey's cake. Music was provided by the local bluegrass band Cordwood and Joyce Creighton with the backdrop of the long clear view to the White Mountains.

The Conservation Commission thanks the many who have made this a successful year for our conservation properties. There is still much to do, and many opportunities to join the work in 2012 and beyond.

RECYCLING REPORT STRAFFORD TRANSFER STATION

Transfer Station Hours
Wednesday Evening 4:00 – 7:00
Saturday Morning 9:00 – 1:00
Sunday Morning 9:00 – 1:00

The Recycling Center staff is pleased to report that Strafford is recycling! If you look at the 2011 activity report below, you can see that the tonnage of recycled materials increased last year, while the tonnage of overall waste disposal declined for the sixth year in a row. The tonnage for demolition waste was also down, perhaps as a result of the slow housing market.

Increased recycling means increased revenue for the town. In 2011, revenues from recycling scrap metal, aluminum, and cardboard were all higher than in 2010. We try to optimize recycling by working with both Waste Management and the Northeast Resource Recovery Association, so you may see recycling requirements and revenues shift as the market shifts. If you have any questions, please work with our trained staff members, and please remember to look in the “Good as New” shed, and drop off things to share, too.

Your recycling center staff is constantly working to improve our facility. Our newest project is to improve the lighting at the Recycling Center to make it easier to use the facility during evening hours. A brochure with information regarding the disposal of appliances, tires, small electronics, mattresses, and stuffed furniture is available at the Town Office or at the Center. There are costs associated with the disposal of these items and receipts are available for your records.

We would also like to remind everyone that if you are running a business, you should make arrangements for commercial trash disposal. The Transfer Center is only for residential trash disposal. If there are any questions, the attendants will be glad to help.

As always, the staff would like to thank the residents of Strafford for their continued cooperation and patience.

ANNUAL SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING ACTIVITY

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Total Tonnage Recycling	257.59	294.94	303.82	353.78	346.92	329.89	332.98
Total Tonnage Demolition Debris	525.21	462.94	357.52	361.14	321.90	354.39	331.62
Total Tonnage Municipal Solid Waste	1119.99	1081.32	973.92	972.17	947.17	892.21	856.35

REVENUES RECEIVED 2011

Tires (Customer Fees)	\$ 436.00
Metal Disposal (Customer Fees)	\$ 1,940.00
Mattresses/Furniture (Customer Fees).....	\$ 2,065.00
Small Electronics/Monitors, etc. (Customer Fees).....	\$ 2,940.00
Revenues from Recycling/Scrap Metal	\$ 11,720.60
Revenues from Recycling/Aluminum.....	\$ 5,911.62
Revenues from Recycling/Cardboard.....	\$ 7,741.72
Total	\$32,754.94
Revenues received in 2010	\$28,986.93

STRAFFORD ENERGY COMMISSION (SEC) 2011 Annual Report

Strafford Elementary School

The SEC has been involved with monitoring the fuel consumption at the School. The average annual consumption rate of oil is 15,500 gallons. The SEC recommended replacing the existing inefficient boilers with efficient boilers at the 2011 School District Meeting. The Town voted, instead, to evaluate the replacement. Since the approval of the funds for the evaluation of the boiler, pellet bulk delivery has become available in this area at a great price. At the time of this writing the evaluation of replacing oil with a pellet boiler is being proposed by potential engineering firm candidates. The SEC intends to have this evaluation complete by the School District Meeting in March. A warrant article has been submitted for this consideration.

SEC assisted the implementation of energy recovery ventilators (ERVs) which were installed as part of the School renovation. The ERVs were also installed to improve air quality.

Municipal Building

No pending issues. Energy consumption due to the use of a geothermal heat pump for heating and cooling has been highly efficient.

Goals

- Make the Town representatives aware of any issues/assistance available via Seacoast Energy Committees
- Support an upgrade to the existing inefficient oil boilers as discussed above
- Encourage the reduction of motor vehicle idling within the Town
- Be involved with fuel bidding at the School through the SAU per agreement with the School Board

Respectfully submitted,
Strafford Energy Commission

STRAFFORD RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT 2011

The swim program at the Bow Lake beach continues to be popular, especially for beginning swimmers. We had two sessions during the summer, one in July and one in August. The majority of our swimmers were very attentive, put effort into learning the skills, and passed their levels. We look forward to seeing them again next season.

We once again had good coverage at the Bow Lake beach during daytime hours. Our dedicated beach staff is on duty from 10 A.M. until 4:30 P.M. Monday through Saturday and 11 A.M. until 4:30 P.M. on Sundays. Salaries for this summer amounted to \$ 11,649.00. Other expenses, water testing and general maintenance, increased the total summer expenses by \$1,201.01, bringing the total expenditures to \$12,850.01.

Summer beach passes were free, as is customary, to Strafford residents. Non-resident individuals or families were able to purchase a day pass for \$5.00 or a season pass for \$25.00. Revenue derived from the sale of passes amounted to \$831.65. Income from swim lessons was \$1,141.00.

ROCHESTER DISTRICT VNA
“Your VNA”
ANNUAL REPORT for 2011

Rochester District VNA (Your VNA) continues to serve as your home health and hospice agency providing skilled nursing, rehabilitative therapies, medical social work, licensed nursing assistance and supportive services on an intermittent basis. We are proud to provide you with highly skilled and well trained clinicians. In addition, we provide an active Adult Day Care Center, which is open Monday thru Friday. Located at our office, it provides a safe, family atmosphere for loved ones no longer able to be at home alone. Our Certified Lactation specialist provides visits to new moms and babies to ensure a healthy beginning.

We continue to provide support services including: homemakers, personal care service providers and in-home companions although the numbers have been reduced due to lack of funding. Services are paid in part by Title XX and the patient, and it allows individuals who require minimal support to remain safely in their homes at the lowest possible cost.

We became recertified by Medicare for hospice care in April 2011 after Seacoast Hospice was sold to a for-profit hospice in 2010. We are the only non-profit hospice in Strafford County. We have admitted over eighty hospice patients in the first nine months. This is an example of our Board seeing a need in the community and responding to that need.

Our biggest and most critical challenge is being dependent on the government for 85% of our revenue. We are reimbursed at rates the government sets regardless of the actual cost to provide the care. Medicare is the only service we provide that is not always a loss, and the Medicare revenue has been used to assist in supplementing many of the under-funded programs we provide. Due to reductions in Medicare every year since 2006, we can no longer depend on a surplus in Medicare to assist with these programs. Therefore, your continued support of Rochester District Visiting Nurse Association (Your VNA) is vitally important to our ability to meet the many health needs in your community. The number of people depending on Medicaid continues to increase with the down turn in the economy. The state reimburses for Medicaid at about 40% of the cost.

You have a choice. Ask for Rochester District VNA by name. We are an independent, free-standing, non-profit providing quality care to thousands of people every year for 99 years. If you have questions please call 332-1133 or check our web-site @ www.yourvna.org

Patient Statistics for **Strafford 2011**

Home Care Visits

Skilled Nursing	380
Physical Therapy	192
Occupational Therapy	84
Speech	13
Medical Social Worker	14
Licensed Nursing Assistant ..	32
Total:	715

Peri-natal visits: 4

Hospice Admissions: 1

Patient count by payer

Medicare	31
Insurance	21
Medicaid	7
Self-pay	1

Report Submitted by: Linda J. Hotchkiss RN, MHSA, CEO

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORTS



2011

OFFICERS OF THE STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
2011-2012

SCHOOL BOARD

	Term Expires
Ms. Lynda Powers, Chairman	2014
Ms. Rebecca Doty, Vice Chair	2012
Mr. Bruce Patrick,	2012
Ms. Debbi Hinrichsen	2013
Ms. Carol Lord	2014

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Michael Ludwell, Ph.D.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

Frank Markiewicz, B.S.

SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Anne L. Kebler, M.Ed.

PRINCIPAL

Jerry Gregoire

TREASURER

Sandra Pierce

CLERK

Carrolle Popovich

MODERATOR

James Allmendinger

AUDITOR

Melanson Heath & Company, PC

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School, 22 Roller Coaster Road, Strafford, NH, on the 14th day of March 2012, at 7:00 PM to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1

To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Strafford School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Ten Million Seven Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars (\$10,725,278) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the Strafford School District.

The operating budget warrant does not include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles.

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Strafford School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Strafford School Board and the Strafford Education Association NEA-New Hampshire which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2012-2013	\$ 43,778
2013-2014	\$ 55,020
2014-2015	\$ 61,728

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 43,778 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels.

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

ARTICLE 4

"Shall the Strafford School District, if Article 3 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 3 cost items only?" (Majority Vote)

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Strafford School District will raise and appropriate up to the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000), to be placed in the School District Capital Reserve Fund, established in 1985, for the purpose of financing any and all capital improvements to school buildings, with such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1, 2012.

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Strafford School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for Education of Persons With Disabilities, established in 2010, for the purpose of meeting the expenses of educating students with disabilities, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1, 2012.

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Strafford School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$190,000 for the replacement of the existing 4 oil boilers with a pellet boiler system. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the pellet boiler system is completed or by June 30, 2014, whichever is sooner.

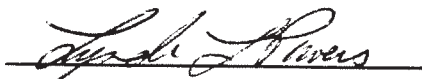


The School Board does not recommend this appropriation.

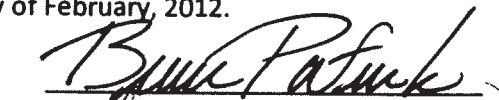

This is a Special Warrant Article.

ARTICLE 8

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 27th day of February, 2012.

SCHOOL BOARD

A true copy of Warrant- Attest:

[Signature]
[Signature]
Carol A Lord

[Signature]
[Signature]

SCHOOL BOARD

I certify that on the 27th day of February, 2012 the written warrant article attested by the School Board of said District at the place of meeting within named and a like attested copy at the Strafford School and Strafford Town Hall being a public place in said district.

[Signature]
Frank Markiewicz
Business Administrator

SS New Hampshire 2012

Personally appeared the said Frank Markiewicz and made oath the above certificate by the Strafford School Board as signed is true.

Before me Patricia A. Beach

Notary Public

PATRICIA A. BEACH, Notary Public
My Commission Expires October 6, 2015

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
for the
Fiscal Year July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011

Cash on Hand July 1, 2010 (Treasurer's bank balance)	817887.27
Received from the Selectmen	
Current Appropriation	7648606.00
Revenue from State	2302843.85
Revenue from Federal	0.00
Received from all other Sources	<u>5911857.64</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>15863307.49</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR (balance-receipts)	16681194.76
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERED PAID	<u>14469343.82</u>
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 2011 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)	<u>2211850.94</u> =====

July 15, 2011



District Treasurer

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER REPORT
RENOVATION PROJECT
July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

RECEIVED FROM NH MUNICIPAL BOND BANK	5,600,000.00
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERED PAID	<u>4,038,757.75</u>
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 2011	<u>1,561,242.25</u> =====

**These figures include all payroll: contracts, stipend, overtime and insurance/sick day/buy-out payments.*

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STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2011

	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	<u>Food Service Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS				
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 2,214,201	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,214,201
Intergovernmental receivables	456,286	-	8,874	465,160
Inventory	-	-	1,131	1,131
Due from other funds	-	1,713,750	-	1,713,750
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ <u>2,670,487</u>	\$ <u>1,713,750</u>	\$ <u>10,005</u>	\$ <u>4,394,242</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 64,147	\$ 609,693	\$ 493	\$ 674,333
Accrued payroll and benefits	74,796	-	-	74,796
Intergovernmental payables	13,273	-	-	13,273
Due to other funds	1,704,977	-	8,773	1,713,750
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,857,193	609,693	9,266	2,476,152
Fund Balances:				
Nonspendable	-	-	1,131	1,131
Restricted	-	1,104,057	-	1,104,057
Committed	411,979	-	-	411,979
Assigned	113,912	-	-	113,912
Unassigned	287,403	-	(392)	287,011
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>813,294</u>	<u>1,104,057</u>	<u>739</u>	<u>1,918,090</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ <u>2,670,487</u>	\$ <u>1,713,750</u>	\$ <u>10,005</u>	\$ <u>4,394,242</u>

**SAU # 44
PRE-SCHOOL
PROGRAM**

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #44

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**Superintendent's Report
2010-2011**

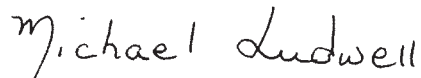
The 2010-2011 school year once again found the school making accommodations while the renovation/construction project went into full swing. It seems as though classrooms were constantly being relocated as the construction moved from one area to another of the facility. By the end of the year, however, the light at the end of the tunnel seemed to be very close. Proof of the pudding came with the end of the project finding, for all intent and purposes, a new elementary school.

At the same time, all of the construction and commotion did not interfere with the education of the students. The results of the state tests, the NECAP, revealed truly outstanding scores, and Strafford School ranked number one in the state.

While students were demonstrating their academic prowess, they were also presented with a rich variety of extracurricular experiences intended to develop and nourish the entire student. One enrichment activity involved "The Flibertygibbits", Strafford's Destination Imagination team. Their efforts proved so successful that they eventually advanced to the world competition, which was held in Knoxville, Tennessee. Other activities included the annual Geography Bee for grades 5-8, and "Sleep Out for the Homeless". This event was held on the school grounds with students, staff and parents in attendance.

None of the above would have been possible without the dedication and commitment of the entire staff. Equally important was incredible support the PTO provided. A sincere thanks to all of you.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Ludwell, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools



ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR



The Board of Trustees of Coe-Brown Northwood Academy is pleased to provide this Annual Report for the 2010-2011 school year to the Strafford School Board. The Board of Trustees looks forward to continuing our cooperative working relationship with the Strafford School Board to enhance the educational opportunities for Strafford students. The Board of Trustees strives through its administration and faculty to provide the most comprehensive and challenging educational experience for Strafford students.

The following will provide an overview of current and future educational and development plans for the Academy. For the 2010-2011 school year enrollment breakdown for Strafford students is:

	Aug. 2010	May 2011
Seniors	64	62
Juniors	66	62
Sophomores	74	72
Freshmen	55	54
Total	259	250

The following represents 2010-2011 enrollment changes by class:

	Dismissed	Moved	Additions	Other Reasons
Seniors	0	0	0	2
Juniors	1	2	0	1
Sophomores	0	1	0	1
Freshmen	0	1	0	0

For those students who were dismissed one attended the SAU 44 Alternative Education Program.

The following represents the post graduate of Strafford senior class members compared to the overall senior class:

	Class of 2010	Class of 2011	Entire class of 2011
4-year post secondary	32	38	90
2-year post secondary	15	13	42
Other programs	3	3	2
Military	2	2	10
Work force	10	6	16
Delayed graduation	2	0	2

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Over the past thirty years, the Academy has worked to enhance educational opportunities for all students, ranging from advanced placement and college preparatory programs through vocational and trade programs. High standards are set for and expected of all students, including those in special education. In reviewing the performances of students who have attended post secondary schools not only have they maintained high academic performance but have advised the administration that they felt well prepared for college. This is a direct reflection on the leadership provided by Headmaster David S. Smith and the dedication of the faculty and support staff.

Course offerings are evaluated annually by the Education Committee, which has voting representatives from Northwood and Strafford, to ensure that the content and instructional aspects of these courses are appropriate to the student's needs and are in keeping with the high standards set by the Board of Trustees and administration. In the last two years the Academy has developed curriculum for Common Core subjects, shown success on AP exams and provided opportunities for learning outside the classroom, as examples. Our music and arts programs are examples of not only the quality of the instruction provided but the talent and dedication of the students who participate.

Representatives from the Northwood and Strafford School Boards who serve on the Education Committee provide a vital link between the Academy and the elementary schools in curriculum development and coordination between the two educational facilities. The active participation and input from the Strafford School Board representative is critical in the areas of student discipline, hiring of faculty and coordinating educational policies and programs. This joint participation is unique among schools with tuition contracts with other school districts. The Board of Trustees encourages the active participation by the Northwood and Strafford representatives.

CO-CURRICULAR

The Academy continues to offer a wide variety of co-curricular activities ranging from athletic programs to music, art and twenty-four clubs and organizations. Students are encouraged to participate in one or more of these activities for personal growth and development. The administration monitors each of these activities to ensure that they meet the mission of the Academy and provide a safe and quality experience for those students who participate.

Our athletic programs have been expanded in recent years to provide greater year-round opportunities for students to participate. As with all programs, the Board of Trustees is striving to provide first-class facilities and to make them available, as appropriate, to the citizens of Northwood and Strafford. This is in keeping with the Board's commitment to make the Academy a part of the local communities.

The athletic programs enhance the overall academic environment of the Academy. Student athletes also excel in academics as well as sports. Athletics teaches students self-discipline, time management and good sportsmanship. The Academy has received a Sportsmanship Award from the NHIAA for five consecutive years.

PHYSICAL PLANT

The Board of Trustees has reviewed the recommendations of Civil Consultants of Berwick, Maine and has begun implementing a multi-year Master Plan to enhance the Academy's education services. This includes a review of current classrooms, pedestrian and vehicular circulation patterns, new facility needs and possible locations for these facilities. The ability to construct new facilities is based on available funds.

Because the Academy does not receive any State funding, all capital construction must be funded through endowments and the 2% add-on to the tuition based on the current valuation of the property. This fiscal constraint does limit the Academy's ability to construct new facilities.

This past year a new access road off Bow Lake Road has been opened that has significantly reduced traffic congestion on US 4. As part of this project, a new softball and soccer field is being constructed and should be opened in the autumn of 2012. These projects were completed with the use of Academy endowment funds.

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THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees and its committees continue to work to enhance the educational opportunities for the students. The Education Committee, with representatives from Northwood and Strafford, continues work on long-range planning goals that better address curriculum and educational needs of the students. Faculty selection is a critical part of the process to ensure exceptional staff who are not only highly qualified, but are dedicated to the educational process. The input from the Northwood and Strafford representatives plays a critical part of the process.

The Athletic Committee supports enhanced opportunities for students to participate in team and club sports. A wide variety of year-round programs and camps are also available to students. The Academy staff is working to enhance cooperation and participation with the elementary schools in both the athletic and arts areas. Parental support of these programs is important and the Committee is working on this issue in conjunction with the administration.

The Development Committee is actively working on programs that support and enhance alumni relations and fundraising activities. Although Coe-Brown Northwood Academy has full tuition contracts with Northwood and Strafford, it is still a private school administered by a Board of Trustees which is responsible for the financial integrity of the Academy. To provide enhanced educational programs and facilities, the Development Committee is developing a long-range plan to attract financial support from alumni and other supporters. The publication of the *VISIONS* magazine and fundraising drives are vital steps in this process. The generosity of many people has resulted in enhancements to the physical plant, educational opportunities for students and faculty and a higher level of recognition of the quality of education offered by the Academy to local students. All this has been accomplished without utilizing tax dollars.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

The Board of Trustees recognized the need ever increasing administrative and fiscal requirements of the Academy. A new Assistant Headmaster position was created and filled at the end of the 2010-2011 school year by Caryn Lasky. This position will provide the Headmaster and Board with additional staffing in the critical areas of finance and administration

THE FUTURE

The Board of Trustees looks forward to enhancing a positive and constructive relationship with the Strafford School Board and between the Headmaster and Administration of Strafford School and SAU 44. The Board is committed to expanding the educational experience of its student body to best prepare them for the future challenges they will face as adults. We look forward to a long-term relationship with the citizens of Strafford.

Respectfully submitted,
James S. Colburn, President
CBNA Board of Trustees

Principal's Report 2011

As I reflect over this past year at Strafford School; many wonderful events come to mind. I will attempt to bring these successes to your attention. Due to the long list of activities, academic accolades, and undertakings that happen here each day, it is often difficult to give credit to all of the happenings and accomplishments that have occurred over the year. While some events or achievements may not be mentioned, it is not for lack of appreciation.

Currently, our enrollment remains fairly stable at 435 students. While the student population may fluctuate up or down, this number is not expected change significantly. Please note that our ideal student to teacher ratios have historically been instrumental in our continued successes.

The building project is complete. Students have learned their way through the new wing and are reaping the benefits of the renovated classrooms. This year's open house was even more widely attended than those in previous years. We had a ribbon-cutting ceremony in the fall. Strafford residents as well as curious non-residents attended and then visited our building. The feedback was positive. In an effort to ensure that all aspects of the building are well cared for, please be assured that the administration and custodial crew are working hard in order to develop a systematic tool for maintenance. If you haven't had a chance to see our renovated building, I would encourage you to come and take a look.

The NECAP (New England Common Assessment Program) continues to be the State of New Hampshire's method of evaluating student and school performance for students in grades 3-8. The NECAP assesses students in Language Arts, Math, and Science. At the risk of repeating myself, I am excited to report that our students have performed extremely well in all areas of this assessment. In fact, according the State of New Hampshire's Department of Education, Strafford School was among the top performing schools in the state; having said that, we will continue to explore training, professional development, new materials and methodologies to ensure that our test scores remain at this level. I would like to take a moment to acknowledge our students, faculty and parents as it is their dedication which has made our school a success. It is my hope that the community is as proud as I am of these accomplishments.

As in past years, Strafford School has offered summer programming for both reading and math. Summer programming is offered so that students have an opportunity to work on critical thinking and problem solving skills. The Patricia Young Summer Reading and Math Skill program was offered to incoming first and second graders. Students in grades four through eight had an opportunity to participate in our Summer Skills Enrichment Program. These programs are instrumental to our continued achievements and are critical to our success. Our expectation is that we will continue to offer these summer programs in order to move forward in our pursuit to achieve the most for all of our students.

In an effort to reach out to parents and the community, the elementary literacy team was able to obtain grant funding to host a Parent/Teacher Book Discussion Group as well as a Preschool Outreach Program. The Parent/Teacher Book Discussion Group met (and continues to meet) on a monthly basis. Parents are encouraged to come and discuss their own reading so that they can share the joy of reading with their children. With regard to Preschool Outreach; three weeks prior to preschool screening, the elementary literacy team sent out a comprehensive informational packet which describes how literacy begins at home to all parents of prospective kindergarten students. Included in this packet was a book for each child. During pre-school screening day, parents were invited to meet with the literacy specialists so that they could learn about our extensive literacy program. During this meeting, the literacy specialists took time to address concerns and to alleviate any anxieties which parents had with regard to teaching their children how to read. Surveys indicated that both programs were appreciated and well received.

Although Strafford School's testing results in math have remained above the required state index, there is always room for improvement. We recognize that math deserves the same amount of consideration as literacy. In order to ensure continued success, we were able to obtain grant funding to hire Dr. Mahesh Sharma, President of The Center For Teaching/Learning of Mathematics, as a consultant. Dr. Sharma has taught us a great deal about the math process. Through his teachings and methodologies, we are learning how to increase our students' concept of numeracy at all grade levels. As these students progress to middle school grades, the expectation is that they will have a better understanding of higher mathematical concepts.

At Strafford School, our students continue to demonstrate the high quality of character which makes our school stand out. Our students repeatedly display that they are compassionate and empathetic members of our society. While we strive to ensure that our students become proficient in academics, our hope is also to develop a sense of community and outreach. Our students have not let us down. In June of 2011, Strafford School held its first "Sleep-out for the Homeless." Students, parents and staff hunkered down for a wet evening on the school field. The event was intended to increase our students' awareness of homelessness. The event raised \$1836.00 for The Homeless Center for Strafford County.

In addition, our students held a "Stuff-a-Bus" food drive right before Thanksgiving to benefit those who are less fortunate. This year students chose to donate to Strafford's Third Baptist Church Food Pantry. The students collected 2877 food items that were packed into a school bus and transported to the food pantry. This is just another example of the quality of our students and their hard work.

Students at Strafford School have taken it upon themselves to address the challenging issue of bullying. A group of students have recognized the need for greater awareness surrounding bullying. They have started a club and have created a website to increase awareness and come up with strategies to address this difficult issue.

A hearty thank you is extended to all who have taken part in our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). It is important to recognize the efforts of the PTO as they are a positive, helpful, and crucial organization. The efforts of this group ensure that all students at Strafford School are able to participate in programs and activities that would otherwise be unavailable to some. Because of their tremendous efforts in fundraising, the PTO has been able to bring thousands of dollars to our school. With the re-opening of the gymnasium, the PTO was able to bring back Pumpkin Hollow and the Christmas Craft Fair. The return of these favorite programs has greatly benefited the students of Strafford School. The PTO is a strong organization, but they are always looking for more assistance.

Besides our daily academic programs, our students at Strafford School have numerous opportunities to participate in extra-curricular programs. Our drama program has grown and expanded and has been well received throughout the community. Our athletic programs consist of cross-country, track, soccer for boys and girls, basketball for boys and girls, cheerleading, as well as baseball and softball. In addition, the Destination Imagination (DI) program provides educational experience for students to learn and practice creativity, teamwork and problem solving. Our DI team competes with schools throughout the state; and once again our team qualified for the DI World Competition and travelled to Knoxville, Tennessee. Our chorus and band programs continue to be strong and well attended; we are proud to note that both of these programs enable students to participate in both school and community events.

Our facilities team is top notch. Led by Gary Heselton, his crew has put forth great energy and effort into keeping our school running smoothly as well as looking great. The crew is always here when needed; they come in early in the morning and on weekends to remove snow, they arrive early and stay late for the setup/takedown of student activities, they are always available to assist teachers and students to retrieve equipment and supplies for their classrooms, and they are always available for those daily "mishaps." This essential team is truly valued for all that they do for our school.

The Strafford School community said goodbye to Mr. George Drozin, who served Strafford School with passion and vigor for many years. In the wake of his departure we have been fortunate to welcome Mrs. Deannah Wallace as our new Assistant Principal. Mrs. Wallace came to us with fourteen years of teaching experience and comprehensive knowledge in the fields of special education, reading and math. The transition was seamless. She has embraced the culture of Strafford School and has taken on her new role with the energy and dedication that our School has come to expect.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the entire faculty for their commitment and enthusiasm. Our faculty has the innate ability to focus on the whole child. Our teachers have empathy, expertise, and character. Their hard work and dedication is what drives our school.

Jerry Gregoire
Principal, Strafford School

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

Municipal Services Division 2011 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: STRAFFORD

Gross Appropriations	2,329,665
Less: Revenues	1,412,100
	0
Add: Overlay (RSA 76:6)	47,083
War Service Credits	43,500

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Net Town Appropriation	1,008,148
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	1,008,148
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TOWN RATE
2.23

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget:			
Gross Approp. - Revenue	11,211,658	821,243	10,390,415
Regional School Apportionment			0
Less: Education Grant			(2,279,185)

Education Tax (from below)	(1,093,069)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	7,018,161

LOCAL SCHOOL RATE
15.53

EDUCATION TAX

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	\$2.325	
470,137,181		1,093,069
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
448,692,500		

STATE SCHOOL RATE
2.44

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	1,176,209
	0

Approved County Tax Effort	1,176,209
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COUNTY RATE
2.60

TOTAL RATE
22.80

Total Property Taxes Assessed	10,295,587
Less: War Service Credits	(43,500)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	10,252,087

PROOF OF RATE

Local Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
Education Tax (no utilities)	448,692,500	2.44	1,093,069
All Other Taxes	451,904,600	20.36	9,202,518
			10,295,587

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SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #44

District Share of the SAU#44 Budget

DISTRICT	2009 EQUALIZED VALUATION	VALUATION PERCENT	2009-2010 ADM IN ATTENDANCE	PUPILS PERCENT	COMBINED PERCENT	2012-2013 DISTRICT SHARE
Northwood	509,930,284	33%	424.60	32%	65%	\$314,575.78
Nottingham	570,570,394	37%	484.26	36%	73%	\$353,292.80
Strafford	<u>472,648,735</u>	<u>30%</u>	<u>431.58</u>	<u>32%</u>	<u>62%</u>	<u>\$300,056.90</u>
TOTAL	1,553,149,413	100%	1340.44	100%	200%	\$967,925.48

School Administrative Unit #44 2011-2012 Salaries

Superintendent of Schools \$106,943.00
Business Administrator \$75,000.00
Special Education Director \$86,600.00
Assistant Special Education Director \$61,200.00
Grant Writer (Part –Time) \$22,440.00

SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

OF STRAFFORD, NH

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From July 1, 2012 To June 30, 2013

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.



1. Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

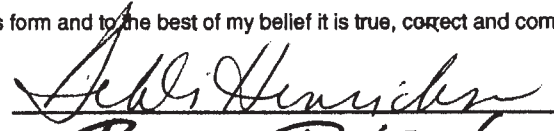

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): Monday, February 27, 2012

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Please sign in ink.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.



 Carol A. Lord

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
 MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
 P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
 (603)230-5090

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. WARR. ART.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/10 to 6/30/11	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	Appropriations Enseing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Enseing FY (Not Recommended)
INSTRUCTION						
1100-1199	Regular Programs	2	5,858,705	6,070,920	5,961,109	0
1200-1299	Special Programs	2	1,660,234	1,822,167	1,581,967	0
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		0	0	0	0
1400-1499	Other Programs	2	50,018	61,864	66,193	0
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs		0	0	0	0
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Ed. Programs		0	0	0	0
1700-1799	Community/Jr.College Ed. Programs		0	0	0	0
1800-1899	Community Service Programs		0	0	0	0
SUPPORT SERVICES						
2000-2199	Student Support Services	2	459,921	506,707	476,318	0
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	2	172,676	248,368	251,955	0
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION						
2310-840	School Board Contingency	2	33,784	63,674	59,805	0
2310-2399	Other School Board		0	0	0	0
EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION						
2320-310	SAU Management Services	2	267,749	305,535	299,561	0
2320-2399	All Other Administration		0	0	0	0
2400-2499	School Administration Service	2	366,904	408,960	430,969	0
2500-2599	Business	2	67,068	74,063	73,739	0
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant	2	461,649	492,597	529,579	0
2700-2799	Student Transportation	2	342,091	358,211	419,447	0
2800-2999	Support Service, Central & Other		0	0	0	0
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES						
3100	Food Service Operations	2	148,440	166,464	167,698	0
3200	Enterprise Operations		0	0	0	0
FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION						
4100	Site Acquisition		0	0	0	0
4200	Site Improvement		0	0	0	0
4300	Architectural/Engineering		0	0	0	0
4400	Educational Specification Development		0	0	0	0
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction		0	0	0	0
4600	Building Improvement Services		0	0	0	0
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services		0	0	0	0
OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)						
5110	Debt Service - Principal	2	0	174,500	180,000	0
5120	Debt Service - Interest	2	133,426	407,628	226,938	0
FUND TRANSFERS						
5220-5221	To Food Service		0	0	0	0
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue		0	0	0	0
5230-5239	To Capital Projects		0	0	0	0
5254	To Agency Funds		0	0	0	0
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.		0	0	0	0
	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION		0	0	0	0
	DEFICIT APPROPRIATION		0	0	0	0
	OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL		10,022,665	11,161,658	10,725,278	0

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as: 1) appropriations in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Expenditures for Year 7/1/10 to 6/30/11	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
5251	To Capital Reserves	0	50,000	5, 6	50,000	0
5252	To Expendable Trust	0	0		0	0
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts	0	0		0	0
4600	Building Improvements	0	0	7	0	190,000
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			50,000		50,000	

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Leases; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Expenditures for Year 7/1/10 to 6/30/11	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
	Collective Bargaining Agreement	0	0	3	43,778	0
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			0		43,778	

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES					
1300-1349	Tuition		7,563	6,000	6,000
1400-1449	Transportation Fees		0	0	0
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		5,244	2,000	500
1600-1699	Food Service Sales		106,697	105,000	110,000
1700-1799	Student Activities		0	0	0
1800-1899	Community Services Activities		0	0	0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		1,321	1,000	1,500
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES					
3210	School Building Aid		128	57,833	59,483
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid		0	0	0
3220	Kindergarten Aid		0	0	0
3230	Catastrophic Aid		0	0	0
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		0	0	0
3250	Adult Education		0	0	0
3260	Child Nutrition		2,022	2,000	2,000
3270	Driver Education		0	0	0
3290-3299	Other State Sources		0	0	0
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants		0	0	0
4540	Vocational Education		0	0	0
4550	Adult Education		0	0	0
4560	Child Nutrition		49,796	35,000	35,000
4570	Disabilities Programs		0	0	0
4580	Medicaid Distribution		27,564	30,000	35,000
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)		0	72,419	0
4810	Federal Forest Reserve		0	0	0
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes		5,600,000	0	0
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund		0	0	0
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds		0	0	0
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds		0	0	0
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		0	0	0

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART. #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES cont.					
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		0	0	0
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds		0	0	0
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources		0	0	0
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-d for Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =NET RAN		0	0	0
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		0	0	0
	Voted From Fund Balance		0	0	0
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes			459,991	0
Total Estimated Revenue & Credits			5,800,335	771,243	249,483

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Current Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 2)	11,161,658	10,725,278
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	50,000	50,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	0	43,778
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	11,211,658	10,819,056
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	771,243	249,483
Less: Amount of State Education Tax/Grant	3,354,599	3,354,599
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	7,085,816	7,214,974

SAU #44 Strafford Strafford School District Meeting

Strafford School Gymnasium

March 9, 2011

7:00 PM

School Board Members:

Ms. Lynda Powers, Chairman

Ms. Rebecca Doty, Vice Chairman

Ms. Debbie Hinrichsen

Mr. Bruce Patrick

Ms. Louise Flood

Others:

Moderator James Allmendinger

Dr. Michael Ludwell, Superintendent, SAU #44

Mr. Frank Markiewicz, Business Administrator, SAU #44

Ms. Ann Kebler, Director, Special Education, SAU #44

Mr. Jerry Gregoire, Principal, Strafford School

Mr. George Drozin, Assistant Principal, Strafford School

Mr. Gordon Graham, Esq.

Ms. Carrolle A. Popovich, Strafford School District Clerk

Moderator Allmendinger called the 2011 Strafford School District Meeting to order at 7:10 PM and declared that there was a quorum present. He noted that the purpose of the meeting was to conduct all lawful business to come before the body. Moderator Allmendinger introduced himself and those sitting at the front tables. He noted the following: Ms. Lynda Powers, Chairman, Strafford School Board; Ms. Rebecca Doty, Vice Chairman, Strafford School Board; Ms. Debbie Hinrichsen, member, Strafford School Board; Mr. Bruce Patrick, member, Strafford School Board; Ms. Louise Flood, member, Strafford School Board; Dr. Michael Ludwell, Superintendent, SAU #44; Ms. Ann Kebler, Special Education Director, SAU #44; Mr. Frank Markiewicz, Business Administrator, SAU #44; Mr. Jerry Gregoire, Principal, Strafford School; Mr. George Drozin, Assistant Principal; Mr. Gordon Graham, Esq., legal counsel for SAU #44 and Ms. Carrolle Popovich, Strafford School District Clerk.

Moderator Allmendinger asked that anyone who wished to speak should use the microphone and that they begin by stating their name and address for the record. Moderator Allmendinger began by reviewing the process and procedure he would follow for the meeting, stating that he would not allow any verbal attacks, and asked that those present have a free and open discussion. He indicated that he had earlier sworn in Mr. Joseph Cicirelli to act as Assistant Moderator, should the need arise. Moderator Allmendinger stated that if the rules were not obeyed, he would recess the meeting for a fifteen minute period and commence again. He further stated that those individuals who wished to speak, address their questions/comments through him as the moderator. Moderator Allmendinger stated that the body might appeal any ruling he made by a majority vote and asked that all motions and amendments be stated in the positive and further, that all statements from the body be confined to the issue(s). He noted that he would allow one amendment to the motion and one amendment to the amendment, stressing the point that he wished to insure adequate debate on all issues. Moderator Allmendinger indicated that he would allow other individuals who did not reside in Strafford to speak, noting the following: Dr. Ludwell, Mr. Gregoire, Mr. Drozin, Ms. Kebler, Mr. Markiewicz and Attorney Graham. Moderator Allmendinger also asked the body if there were interested citizens who wished to vote counters, should the need arise. Moderator Allmendinger asked that those in attendance please silence their cell phones and pagers. Further, Moderator Allmendinger noted that five (5) voters could ask for a secret ballot vote. Moderator Allmendinger pointed out that the Warrant had been posted in appropriate locations throughout the Town of Strafford; he stated that there was a quorum present and declared the commencement of the 2011 Strafford School District Meeting.

Moderator Allmendinger asked that everyone rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moderator Allmendinger then read Warrant Article #2:

“To see if the Strafford School District will raise and appropriate up to the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000), to be placed in the School District Capital Reserve Fund, established in 1985, for the purpose of financing any and all capital improvements to school buildings, with such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1, 2011.”

Ms. Powers moved, duly seconded by Ms. Flood, Warrant Article #2 as read by Moderator Allmendinger. There being no discussion following the motion, a call for the vote on the motion was recorded as a unanimous vote in the affirmative and was declared as such by the Moderator.

Warrant Article #3:

“To see if the Strafford School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for Education of Persons With Disabilities, established in 2010, for the purpose of meeting the expenses of educating students with disabilities, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1, 2011.”

Ms. Doty moved, duly seconded by Ms. Hinrichsen, Warrant Article #3 as read by Moderator Allmendinger. Discussion ensued with Mr. Michael Harrington querying the balance of the surplus. Chairman Powers explained that Warrant Article #3 was established last year, noting that \$25,000. was placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for the education of persons with disabilities. She added that the Board was asking, through Warrant Article #3, that the sum of \$25,000 be taken from the surplus this year, to be placed in this fund, only if there was a surplus available. There being no further discussion, Moderator Allmendinger called for the vote on Warrant Article #3. On a show of cards, Warrant Article #3 passed.

Warrant Article #4:

“To see if the Strafford School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Eleven million one hundred fifty nine thousand one hundred fifty eight dollars (\$11,159,158) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the Strafford School District. This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles.”

Mr. Patrick moved, duly seconded by Ms. Powers, Warrant Article #4 as read by Moderator Allmendinger. Discussion ensued with Mr. Patrick noted that the budget was up approximately 5.22%, noting that 4% of that figure was due to building renovation construction. Mr. Patrick referenced the New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank information which had been distributed at the 2010 Annual School District Meeting, outlining the amount of bond payments to be made yearly. Mr. Patrick also explained that approximately 1.2% of the 5.22% increase was for health insurance, transportation costs, special education costs as well as the teacher contract. Mr. Michael Harrington questioned the student transportation costs for this year. Mr. Patrick referenced the elementary, high school and special education transportation costs, adding that a buffer had been included for unanticipated transportation, if necessary. Mr. Harrington questioned the items contained within Page 96 of the 2010 Annual Report relative to the general administration of the budget, noting some significant increases within these areas. Mr. Patrick reviewed the equalized valuation for the three (3) towns within SAU #44, and how it was determined. He noted that although the formula for determining the equalized valuation had stayed the same, the physical numbers changed.

Ms. Elizabeth Mason stated that as a taxpayer in the Town of Strafford, as well as a teacher at the Strafford School, she was very proud to be a member of the community. She recognized and was pleased about the fact that the town had been so supportive about education. Ms. Mason referenced information which was available at the meeting relative to the results from the NECAP testing. She explained that every year, all public schools are required to assess their students using this tool. Ms. Mason noted that the information provided a ranking of New Hampshire schools, pointing out the outstanding results. She noted that the Strafford School was #1 in New Hampshire Elementary School Rankings for 3rd and 4th grades combined in Mathematics and Reading. Ms. Mason also pointed out that the Strafford School was #3 in New Hampshire Middle School Rankings for 6th, 7th and 8th grades combined in Mathematics and Reading. Ms.

Mason spoke to the fact that these scores were a result of the dedication of teachers, parents and the Strafford School Board. Ms. Mason noted that everyone works hard in the Strafford School, and that the effort takes everyone! Ms. Mason spoke to her concerns that although some individuals within the school received a 3% increase and a 2% increase, some received a 0% increase. She questioned how these pay increases were determined. Mr. Patrick referenced the teacher's contract which was negotiated 3 years ago, noting that the contract included a 3% increase for teachers this year. Mr. Patrick pointed out that the Board was making a concerted effort to hold the line on the budget for the benefit of the taxpayers. Chairman Powers explained that there were some individuals who work within the building that the Board did not budget any increases for, noting the principal, the vice principal and the technology director. She added that these three individuals are the three highest paid staff members within the school. Ms. Mason referenced a document which was distributed by Ms. Jennifer Edgerly, a teacher within the Strafford School relative to Bonnette, Page & Stone's Requisition #9. She referenced the figure of \$32,000.00 within this document for finish flooring. Ms. Mason cited her concern that there appeared to be much more value put on material things rather than individuals. Chairman Powers explained that the information distributed was different from the operating budget of the school. Further discussion continued with **Ms. Elizabeth Mason moving, duly seconded by Mr. Earl Chagnon to amend Warrant Article #4, to increase the budgetary number by \$11,350.00 so that those individuals not covered under the collective bargaining agreement who are receiving 0-2% increase may receive a 3% increase.** Discussion continued with Mr. Michael Harrington pointing out the bad economy, and asked all those in attendance to vote down the amendment. Mr. Earl Chagnon spoke in favor of the amendment, stressing the fact that the Strafford School produced a #1 rating in NECAP scores. Mr. Chagnon pointed out that the amendment would be less than a dollar per person. Ms. Pam Felber also spoke in favor of the amendment, pointing out that not all teachers start at the same rate of pay. Ms. Felber congratulated the Board for giving teachers pay raises. Ms. Meghan Yeaton stated that although she works, she did not received a salary increase. Mr. Michael Tursi asked which groups would not be receiving a pay raise and further questioned if the figure of \$11,350.00 was accurate. Chairman Powers noted that the teachers and the paraprofessionals were included within the contract. She further noted that the 2% increases were for support staff, kitchen staffing, secretaries and other support staff. She added that the principal, the vice principal and the technology director received a 0% increase. Ms. Jane Vachon spoke against the amendment. Ms. Vachon commended the Board for their responsible job of bringing the taxpayers a reasonable proposal as well as recognizing the need for new construction. She also complimented the School for their outstanding NECAP test scoring. It was noted that the \$11,350.00 increase to Warrant Article #4 came from an amendment from the floor, not from the Strafford School Board. Mr. Irving Johnson questioned if the groups of individuals receiving a 0-2% increase received an increase in their health care benefits. Chairman Powers noted that the costs for health insurance benefits to the district have increased, adding that the individuals had the same plan with the same benefits, but the cost of the plan increased substantially over last year. Mr. Johnson pointed out that the staff ratio at the Strafford School was very low. Mr. Donald Clifford questioned if the student population within the school increased or decreased over last year. It was noted that the school population decreased from last year. Mr. Clifford asked that the Board make a concerted effort of better publicizing the public hearing relative to the budget. Discussion continued regarding the number of special education students from last year as well as presently. Ms. Patricia Catano questioned the number of students who attend the Strafford School. It was noted that currently, there were 457 students at the Strafford School and 263 Strafford students attending Coe-Brown Northwood Academy. Ms. Catano questioned the cost per student. Mr. Markiewicz explained that the cost per pupil was approximately \$15,287.00, taking the \$11,159,158.00 and dividing it by the total number of Strafford students. He noted, however, that in accordance with the Department of Education calculations, the per pupil cost in Strafford was \$12,562.00, which was 3/10th of a percent below the state average. **Mr. Michael Tursi made a motion to move the question, which was duly seconded. A call for the vote on the motion to move the question was voted in the affirmative. Moderator Allmendinger then called for the vote on the amendment. On a show of cards, Moderator Allmendinger declared that the amendment failed. There being no further discussion, Moderator Allmendinger re-read Warrant Article #4, and called for a vote on Warrant Article #4. On a show of cards, the vote on Warrant Article #4 passed.**

Warrant Article #5:

"To see if the Strafford School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the replacement of the existing (4) Utica oil boilers with (3) Buderus model 315/6 oil burners and (2) 119 gallon electric water heaters"

Moderator Allmendinger noted that he signed Citizen Petition Warrant Article #5 for the purpose of putting the Article on the Warrant, noting that he was one of many. He stated that, by signing Citizen Petition Warrant Article #5, he was not in favor, nor against it – he just wanted to have the petition put on the warrant. He asked the body if there was anyone who wanted him to step aside while this portion of the meeting transpired. There being non one voicing an objection, Moderator Allmendinger then recognized Mr. William Vance to speak to his citizen petition Warrant Article. **Mr. Vance then moved, duly seconded by Mr. Joseph Cicirelli, Warrant Article #5, as stated.** Mr. Vance spoke Warrant Article #5, speaking about the value of the project. He reviewed the study to be conducted, as well as the engineering fees which would be included. Mr. Vance explained that the \$2,500. included within the \$200,000. figure would be to do an engineering study to do an evaluation of the existing boilers at the Strafford School. Mr. Vance noted, after obtaining additional information, he wanted to amend the figure within Warrant Article #5 to a more realistic figure of \$115,500. Moderator Allmendinger asked Mr. Cicirelli, who seconded the motion, if he objected to reducing the amount of Warrant Article #5 to \$115,500. Mr. Cicirelli voiced no objection to reducing the financial figure contained within Warrant Article #5 from \$200,000. to \$115,500. Mr. Michael Harrington thanked Mr. Vance for his diligence in gathering all the information for formulating the citizen's petition warrant article. Mr. Harrington thanked Mr. Vance for putting so much of his own time and effort into trying to save the taxpayers some money. Mr. Harrington pointed out that in light of the economy, this might not be the time to spend extra money for the purchase of new boilers to replace the existing boilers, but added that it was certainly worth looking into in the future. Discussion continued with **Mr. Michael Harrington moving to amend Warrant Article #5 to appropriate the amount of \$2,500 for an engineering study evaluation of the existing boilers within the Strafford School for the purpose of seeing if it would be more cost effective to replace/retain the current system. The motion was duly seconded.** Discussion ensued regarding the amendment. Mr. Vance spoke to the type of oil burners (Buderus) he included within Warrant Article #5. Mr. Vance queried if the amendment, as stated, would change the intent of Warrant Article #5. Moderator Allmendinger advised in the negative, advising that the amendment offered by Mr. Harrington was appropriate. Ms. Jane Vachon asked to hear from the Board regarding their thoughts relative to Warrant Article #5. Mr. Patrick, on behalf of the Board, stated that the Board was in favor of the study at this time, but wanted to wait until next year to see the results of the study. Mr. Harrington spoke to the feasibility of looking at the cost effectiveness of the proposal, suggesting that the District look into the possibility of obtaining State and/or federal money for this endeavor. Mr. Harrington further suggested the District investigate the possibility of utilizing grant money to pay for the modifications. **Mr. Harrington asked if he could add his suggestion as part of his amendment. Moderator Allmendinger stated that he would treat the added suggestions made by Mr. Harrington as part of the intent of his amendment. There being no further discussion, Moderator Allmendinger called for a vote on the amendment. On a show of cards, the vote on the amendment passed.** Discussion ensued regarding the engineering study and the return on the investment. Moderator Allmendinger advised that the amendment, as noted, would insure this. **There being no discussion, Moderator Allmendinger then called for the vote on the motion, as amended. On a show of cards, the motion passed.**

Warrant Article #6:

“To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.”

Moderator Allmendinger declared that there was no action to be taken on Warrant Article #6.

There being no further business to come before the March 10, 2010 Strafford School District Meeting, Moderator Allmendinger adjourned the meeting for the evening at 8:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrolle A. Popovich
Strafford School District Clerk

Approved by the Board – 3-23-2011

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
 OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
 ANNUAL REPORT

	2009-2010	2010-2011
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 1,150,000	\$ 1,150,000
Travel	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Telephone	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Other	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,912,045	\$ 2,000,655
<u>REVENUE</u>		
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 1,150,000	\$ 1,150,000
Travel	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Telephone	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Other	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
Total Revenues	\$ 646,768	\$ 603,725
Net District Cost	\$ 1,265,277	\$ 1,396,930

The District of Columbia Office of the Comptroller of the District of Columbia
 has audited the financial statements of the District of Columbia Office of the
 Comptroller of the District of Columbia for the years ended June 30, 2009 and
 June 30, 2010.

COE BROWN NORTHWOOD ACADEMY
2011 GRADUATES

Avery Adams
Miranda Allan
Katharine Ambrose
Michael Bane
Monique Bartlett
Paige Belliveau
Tamara Berry
Brandon Bibeau
Brendan Blanchard
Kelsey Brown
Elias Buzzell
Joel Campbell
Sean Carlson
Chad Cole
Anthony Craven
Bradley Crickard
Joshua Cutter
Christian Davis
Mark Davis
Marc Dunkerley
Brayden Dunn
Madison Dunn
Cameron Durgin
Samantha Emond
Dominique Fanjoy
Sarah Frizzell
Bradley Gerschwiler
Courtney Grand
Rebekah Hayden
Ashley Henderson
Joshua Henry

Erin Hilow
Alexander Johnston
Austin Leavitt
Alex Libby
Randall Mattson
Cathryn McCann
Connor Monahan
Kyle Newton
Katrina Oswald
Michael Paganelli
Renee Patrizi
Clay Pike
Christian Rainey
James Riley
Nicole Roberts
Benjamin Sanborn
Samantha Santiago
Russell Sargent
Jesse Schraufnagel
Marissa St. Laurent
David Sukerman
Nicholas Sylvester
Magen Thibeault
Carrie Tilton
Dakota Viel
Heather Ward
Robert Wegner
Benjamin White
Cody White
Alanna Young
Jameson Young

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RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

01/01/2011-12/31/2011

--STRAFFORD--

Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's/Partner's Name	Mother's Name
KING, LEXIE NICOLE	01/05/2011	ROCHESTER,NH	KING, COLIN	KING, HEATHER
DESHONG, ALLISON MARIE	02/08/2011	ROCHESTER,NH	DESHONG, KELSEY	TERRY, ELIZABETH
EDGECOMB, AILEAH KATHERINE	04/17/2011	DOVER,NH	EDGECOMB, CHRISTOPHER	MCPHEE, SARAH
GONZALEZ, NELSON JACOB	04/27/2011	DOVER,NH	GONZALEZ, NELSON	GONZALEZ, RACHAEL
GRANT, ELLA ELIZABETH	05/27/2011	ROCHESTER,NH	GRANT, JAMES	GRANT, MINDY
BRYANT, HADLEY AILEEN	06/07/2011	ROCHESTER,NH	PETERS, STEVEN	BRYANT, HEATHER
MOWERS, MCKENZIE PAIGE	06/19/2011	DOVER,NH	MOWERS, CHRISTOPHER	MOWERS, ASHLEY
POLIGNI, STEVANAH JOYCE	07/02/2011	ROCHESTER,NH	POLIGNI JR, STEPHEN	LEIGHTON, KENDRA
MEEHAN, BRIAN DAVID	09/14/2011	ROCHESTER,NH	MEEHAN, JUSTIN	MEEHAN, ANDREA
PALMER, DAMIAN JAMES	09/27/2011	ROCHESTER,NH	PALMER, CHRISTIAN	SANS, RACHEL
MORRIS, LILY HOPE	10/01/2011	DOVER,NH	MORRIS, MICHAEL	MORRIS, HEATHER
SILVA, PIPER GRACE	10/26/2011	CONCORD,NH	SILVA, JOSEPH	SILVA, APRIL
BLAIR, BRIELLA ANN	12/27/2011	DOVER,NH	BLAIR, JORDAN	BLAIR, FRANCESCA

Total number of records 13

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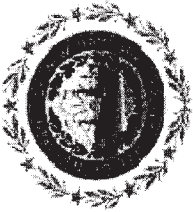
RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2011 - 12/31/2011

-- STRAFFORD --

Person A's Name and Residence	Person B's Name and Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
ROBICHAUD JR, CRAIG S STRAFFORD, NH	DESJARDINS, AMANDA L STRAFFORD, NH	CANDIA	LONDONDERRY	05/11/2011
LOHMAR III, FREDERICK J STRAFFORD, NH	MASSE, JUDITH R STRAFFORD, NH	STRAFFORD	LOUDON	05/21/2011
MARTEL, JEFFREY A STRAFFORD, NH	DRISCOLL, PAULA A STRAFFORD, NH	STRAFFORD	RYE	05/29/2011
O'DONNELL, BRIAN M STRAFFORD, NH	PARISI, KATRINA R GLOUCESTER, MA	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	06/07/2011
BAKER, LARRY C STRAFFORD, NH	KING, PAULA L STRAFFORD, NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	07/16/2011
LUND, JAMES N STRAFFORD, NH	POTTER, ROBIN L STRAFFORD, NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	07/21/2011
ANDERSON JR, DOUGLAS M STRAFFORD, NH	CUTTER, BRIANNA D STRAFFORD, NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	08/06/2011
SENER JR, RICKY A NORTHWOOD, NH	MCLEAN, HAILEY G STRAFFORD, NH	NORTHWOOD	CHICHESTER	08/19/2011
REED, ZACHARY R STRAFFORD, NH	BAILEY, HANNAH M STRAFFORD, NH	STRAFFORD	STRAFFORD	09/24/2011
VON KAHLE, KEITH A STRAFFORD, NH	BEAUCHINE, MELISSA A BOSCAWEN, NH	STRAFFORD	CONCORD	09/24/2011
BUSHLIN, ITTAI BROOKLYN, NY	DUPERE, MELISSA D STRAFFORD, NH	STRAFFORD	ALTON	10/01/2011
DREW, NICHOLAS R STRAFFORD, NH	LEIGHTON, KATE A STRAFFORD, NH	STRAFFORD	DOVER	12/30/2011

Total number of records 12



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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2011 - 12/31/2011

--STRAFFORD, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union	Military
NELSON, WILLIAM	01/25/2011	STRAFFORD	NELSON SR, WILLIAM	NAUMAN, ELSIE	Y
STILES, JAMES	02/05/2011	ROCHESTER	STILES, ROBERT	SMITH, SARAH	N
SAUNDERS, RICHARD	02/12/2011	STRAFFORD	SAUNDERS, JOHN	HEBERT, IRENE	Y
ENGLISH, DORIS	02/19/2011	ROCHESTER	DROEGE, HENRY	COX, CORA	N
HEFFELFINGER, JAMES	04/16/2011	STRAFFORD	HEFFELFINGER, EDWARD	UNKNOWN, EVELYN	Y
MOUNTAIN, RICHARD	05/12/2011	ROCHESTER	MOUNTAIN, ROLAND	WHITEHOUSE, ALBERTA	N
MULLIGAN, CAROL	05/17/2011	CONCORD	WALKER, NORMAN	THOMAS, MARGARET	N
CARREIRO, EDGAR	06/11/2011	BARRINGTON	CARREIRO, FRANCISCO	MEDEIROS, HONORINA	U
FARINELLA, NANCY	08/08/2011	DOVER	CASWELL, HENRY	MCCORMACK, MARGARET	N
GAGNON, ANNETTE	10/25/2011	DOVER	BINETTE, JOSEPH	COTE, LEA	N
BLAKE, JOAN	11/28/2011	DEERFIELD	HARTNETT, TIMOTHY	HARTNETT, MARY	N
GAIRE, LORRAINE	12/23/2011	ROCHESTER	RUSHFORD, VINCENT	BOUCHARD, IRENE	N
KENNEY, HUGH	12/27/2011	ROCHESTER	KENNEY, H	WIVELL, ELEANOR	Y

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